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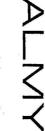
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BOWNE BUDGET.

IE MIDDLEVILLE SUN.

Nov. 29—There is a show holding forth at Bowne Center. He is selling a led by Mrs. Emma Williams. Subject, catarrh cure and giving an entertainment besides. Admittance 5c. It is a great trace for 5c.

been visiting Harry Johnson the past week and taking in the big show.

Wm. Hesdworth, a former resident of this place, started for the Klondike Monday, He has secured a job of running an ice engine at \$50 per month Wednesdeepers and expenses.

Miss Maude Califf of Bay City is vis-iting her cousin, Miss Katie Johnson. The Lowell district council will be held at Alto next Thursday. Let every farmer turn out.

Rob't Johnson has three fine young

BOWEN'S MILLS.

J. W. Briggs is no better than when we wrote last, but we are hopeful he may recover.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hunt of Alameda, Cal., are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunt. Mrs. Annette DuMaresq is spending the winter with her sister in Kalama-

A. C. Hunt and wife were enter ained at E. R. Conrad's, Otsego, Thanksgiv-

Guy Buck, a former resident here, was married in Union City last week.

Miss Bessie Williamson, whose home Richlard, came home last week, and a gentleman from those parts, whose name we did not learn, came and they were married Monday evening at the home of the bride's father in the pres-ence of invited guests. May they have a pleasant voyage through the journey

I. N. Hubbard's well-known section died last week and Newt's friends will all mingle a tear with his in sympathy. Mr. Corning of Bay City, after 20 years absence, is visiting at C. M. Bixler's. He came into this town with Mr.

Bixler twenty years ago. Wedding bells have again rung. This time one of our estimable young ladies, Miss Mariah Stewart, was wedded to a gentleman from Defiance, Ohio, last Thursday. Saturday the wedded couple started on their wedding tour, to bring up in their home in Ohio. May joy, peace and happiness go with them through this journey of life.

DORR DOTTS.

From the Record. Loren D. Earl has been appointed agent at this station.

George Truax has rented his farm and moved to Wayland. N. C. Thomas and wife were in Middleville Tuesday.

inflicting a painful wound.

Wires were strung to this village Tuesday for the new telephone line. E. S. Botsford will have the office at this village. At Moline Bates and Gilbert will have it. The rate to Grand

EAST CALEDONIA.

Nov. 29-Mrs. C. E. Edgcomb and grandson, Lawrence, of Grand Rapids ward off the attack by taking this remspent last Thursday and Friday with edy as soon as the first symptoms apher niece, Clara Brown. The Ladies' Aid will hold an all day gist.

social, Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the home of Mrs. Ren Baker. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Homer Smith and family of Sparta

have recently moved into John Proctor's tenement house. Revival meetings are being held here.

IRVING INKLINGS.

Born to Sydney McNaughton and wife Nov. 15. an 8 fb girl.

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Rev. Mr. Wesbrook is under the doctor's care. He is suffering with neuralgia in side. His limb is a trifle bet-day evening, Dec. 10, by Mr. Potts of Detroit.

Rob't Johnson has started to dig the cellar for his new barn. He is going to build in spring. Lewis Lite has the carpenter work. They commenced getting out the timber Monday morning.

Eddie Johnson of Middleville has been visiting Harry Johnson the past week and taking in the big show.

Detroit.

The young men will give their social Thursday evening, Dec. 9. in the parlors of Cong'l church. Just bear in mind that all they ask of the ladies is that they attend, as they are to serve the supper, furnish program, etc. Come and see how well they can do. Oyster supper will be served for 15c each or 25c a couple.

Miss Allie Betts spent Sunday at

The debate was well attended last Wednesday evening. The judges decided in favor of the negative. The subject for next week is "Woman Suffrage," with Achsa Blanchard and Mr. Chabing as chiefs. Cushing as chiefs.

Mr. and Mrs. Crouch of Augusta visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Brooks of Nashville and Mrs. Lewis Higbee of Potterville attended the Chase-Wilcox wedding last week.

The regular monthly exercises of the school were furnished by the sixth grade last Friday afternoon. A large number of the parents were present and the class did great credit to themselves and the teacher.

Married, Thursday, Nov. 25, by Rev. Duane Freeman at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. L. Chase and Miss Mable Wilcox. A number of the Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Crispe are turkey in Grand Rapids and enjoyed the 'Prisoner of Zenda," Thursday, gives of Mrs. Kate Greene.

Miss Mable Wilcox. A number of the bride and friends of the bride and groom were present. The numerous presents received were as useful as they were beautiful. The home of the bride was even been here and Mr. Chase was has ever been here and Mr. Chase was teacher of our school for over a year. They have many friends who will be glad that they are to remain in our midst.

The marriage of Miss Amanda Poff

and Fred A. Stowell took place at the home of the bride's parents, Wednesday, Nov. 24, at high noon, and was witnessed by a large number of the relatives of both sides, sixty-five in all. Rev D. Freeman efficiated. The bride was dressed in brown henrietta trimmed with velvet the same abade and flushed. with velvet the same shade and finished with white chiffon and braid. She car-Last Saturday merning about five o'clock as we were making our way with lantern and milk pails to the barn, we saw in the east some building afire but could not locate it. Later in the day we learned that Mr. Van Alstine's large red bank barn had burned to the ground. Have not learned particulars. Charles Minar and wife of Irving visted at the former's father's, Sunday.

Thanksgiving dance at Smith's hall was well attended and everybody had a good time.

I. N. Hubbard's well-known sulting did last weak and Naw's friends with white chiffon and braid. She carried and wore white chrysanthemums. The groom wore the conventional black. The bride was attended by Miss Bessie Watkins and Frank Rogers acted as groomsman. This young couple have grown up among us and will be greatly missed when they leave us for their home in Hastings, which they expect to do at once. The presents received were as follows: A full decorated dinner set, Mrs. Edith Stowell, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stowell, Perry Stowell, D. Stowell, Woodland; set silver knives and forks, H. Stowell, Reed City; rocking chair, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Stowell, D. Stowell, Woodland; set silver knives and forks, H. Stowell, Reed City; rocking chair, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mathews, Virs and India Mathews; set of plates, cups and saucers, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mathews, Jesse Altoft; center table, Mr. and Mrs. Tobias, Mr. and Mrs. Herney, Hastings; decorated chamber set, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cross, Mr. and Mrs. J. Curtiss, Mr. and Mrs. J. Curtiss, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dunning; berry dish and sauce dishes, Mr. and Mrs. Del Wilcox; silver sugar spoon, Frank Rogers and Bessie sugar spoon, Frank Rogers and Bessie Watkins; table cloth, Mrs. Charles Mc-Cann; clock, John Poff, South Bend, Indiale factory night and day in oppositud.; chius salad dish, Grace Poff, then "old maken" Ernie White. South Bend, Ind.; silver cream spoon, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gillett, Joliet, Ill.; berry spoon, W. L. Watkins, Jennie Wilcex; silver salt and pepper shake, Earl Wilcox, Vera Grosfend; pair of towels, Mr. and Mrs. John Oaborn; quilt and tidy Mrs. Mrs. Williams; teacot and tidy, Mrs. Mary Williams; teapot, Mr. and Mrs. Jud Kelley; salt and pepper shake, Abbie McCann; pair of tow-els, L. Watkins; pickle dish, Gertrude lleville Tuesday.

Herney, Hastings; toothpick helder,
W. E. Mills was hooked by a cow last Fred Hall; sugar, creamer and spoon week about an inch below the right eye holder, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilcox.

HOW TO CURE BILIOUS COLIC. I suffered for weeks with colic and pains in my stomach caused by bilious-ness and had to take medicine all the while until I used Chamberlain's Colic, Rapids will be 15 cents and Kalamazoo Cholera and Diarrhosa Remedy which cured me. I have since recommended it to a good many people. Mrs. F. BUTLER, Fairhaven, Conn. Persons who are subject to billous colic can pear. Sold by J. W. Armstrong, drug-oist. 44-4

Willie French of Nashville was nearly beheaded by the discharge of both barrels of a double barrelled shot gun in his own hands while climbing a fence on Friday, Nov. 19. Deceased was 15 years of ago and a bright pupil in the 10th grade.

Revival meetings are being held here.

Mr. Close, who has made his home with Vasco Vincent for the past year, died there Thursday, Nov. 25; cause of death, insanity. His remains were isken to Plainfield for interment by the side of his wife.

Ina Strait spent last Sunday with her parents.

Miss Edna Rathbun spent the latter part of last week with her parents.

The defeated side of the Epworth League furnished an elaborate supper of onion soup and doughnuts (fried in coon's oil) for the winning side Thanksgiving evening. Nevertheless all enjoyed this very much, as it was something new and that's what some of "us want.

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THE DISCOVERY OF THE DAY.

A startling incident of Which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelophia was the subject is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only the provided the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only the provided the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only the provided the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only the provided the grave of another victim. The provided the grave of another victi

COFFEE DRUNKARDS.

Some Interesting Facts From a Berlin Physician Regarding Coffee Drinking.

Coffee drunkenness is one of the latest dangers which doctors abroad are raising their voices against. Dr. Mendel of Berlin has published a clinical study, which is the most thorough yet made, as he had a community of coffee drinkers under his constant observation, the working women in under his the working women in and about Essen. He found many of these women con-sumed over a pound of coffee a week. The leading symptoms of the ills that afflicted them were profound depression of spirits and frequent headaches, with of spirits and frequent beadaches, with insomnia. A strong dose of coffee would relieve them for a time, then the ailment would return. The muscles became weak and trembling, and the hands trembled when at rest. The victims suffered so seriously they dared not abandon the drinking of coffee for fear of death.

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These symptoms appear in thousands of people in a less degree, simply because they use a less amount of the drug, but steady use day by day gradually piles up a very serious account which must be settled with the nervous system. Verloyed described in the servous system. system. Various disorders appear as a result of daily interference with the digestion and proper action of the nerves, paralysis, apoplexy, heart failure and other complications equally serious. To live plainly on pure food, is the secret of health and success in life. Postum Cereal Food Coffee comes like a blessing to man or woman who is suffering from the coffee health and success. received to man or woman who is suf-fering from the coffee habit and yet dis-like to breakfast without coffee. Postum has the color and taste of coffee if it be properly prepared, and being made from the cereals by scientific processes it furnishes the elements needed to rebuild the gray matter in the nerve centers, where imported cof-

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PARMELEE PICKINGS.

The "beautiful snow" has finally got here and some of the people are feeling better, while others were hoping for a few days more of fine weather in which to finish thek corn husking.

The Middleville Sun arrived in Parmelee last Thursday, one day shead of the usual time. No fault to find. Oscar Sherk and wife of Harris Creek

enjoyed Thanksgiving with friends in this vicinity. James Donovam of Caledonia spent Sunday last with John Moxon's people on Grand Rapids street.

A son of the average weight (10 the) has arrived at the home of Corwin Scott on Howard street. We hear that Mason Cline (the grandfather in the case) went immediately to Watson's store and bought a pair of spectacles.

Frank Stimson and wife spent last Sunday with Geo. Haight's people in East Thornapple.

Mrs. Lewis Henderson of Leighton, who is visiting at present in Kalamazoo Co., will on her return make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Skinner, east of Parmelee.

Pierre Stimson is running the ax All styles made to order in either shop and the price made by the purchaser. Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Buok, formerly of

this place, will return from Arkansas next Saturday, where they have been visiting their parents for some time Dast. Almond Pander of your village is driving a well on "Zion's hill" today (Monday) for George Burch.

Dilman Benjamin is baling straw for John Kepkey at present on the Furt. White farm, Windmill street.

Fred Smith, the "good worker," will make his home the coming winter with Fremont Joels. Mr. Buck, who was stricken with paralysis a short time since, is improv-

ing and will be around again soon, it is hoped. Thomas Tungate had the misfortune to lose his favorite horse, "Frank," a

few days since. O. A. Carpenter's people enjoyed Thanksgiving at the home of J. L. Broughton in your village.

Willis Wood was in Baltimore Satur-Miss Minnie Jenkins of your village enjoyed herself with friends in Parme-lee Saturday and Sunday.

Correspondence Continued ou Supplement

ROBBED THE GRAVA

WARRING IN AFRICA.

COLLISION BETWEEN BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS.

Lagos Boundary Trouble May Now Be Deficitely Settled by a Resort to Arms-The Descent of Coffee Prices-Indiana Town Wrecked.

Niger Country in Dispute. While the accuracy of the statement contained in the Rome dispatch to the Frankfert Zeitung, announcing that a conflict has taken place between the French and British troops in the Lagos Hinterland, is doubted, the London morn ing papers pointed out the imminent danger resulting from the proximity of the two ferces in the contested territory. Later in the day a rumor was received at the British colonial office to the effect that there had been a collision between the British and French forces at Nikki, which is said to have been captured by the French troops. The officials of the colonial effice, however, regard this report as highly improbable, as, they explain, the British police in the Hinterland, who are in very limited numbers, had strict orders to avoid any collision with the French. It is also understood that the French forces had been instructed not to come in conflict with the British. The British forces in the Hinterland, it is further stated, are being re-enforced con-

NITRO-CLYCERINE EXPLODES.

Chesterfield, Ind., is Wrecked in an instant-No One Killed.

Chesterfield, Ind., was almost wiped off the map by the explosion of eighty quarts of nitre-glycerine, which had been brought overland from Montpelier and placed in an open field, a half mile from the town. Maries Mansey and Sam Maguire were working at a gas well near by when the explosion occurred. Mansey was thrown fifty feet, but not fatally injured. Maguire was also thrown 100 feet in the air and bady lacerated, but will recover. The little town of Chesterfield is a mass of ruins. At Dalesville, two miles away, and at Yorktown, five miles distant, the damage was almost as great. The jar of the explosion was felt for fifteen miles in all directions. The explosion was spontaneous. Though many were hurt, no person was killed.

COFFEE AS A CHEAP DRINK.

War Between Arbuckles and the Sugar Trust Outs Prices Down.

Coffee was never so cheap in the United States as it is now. This is due to the fight between Arbuckle Bros. and the sugar trust. In one year the Ariosa brand, which is taken as the basis, has declined in price from 18 to 9 cents a pound. The No. 7 green coffee, which last year sold at 9% cents, now brings 6% cents. Enormous creps in Brazil and elsewhere will, it is thought, bring a further decline.

Fearful Death of a Woman.

The wife of Antonio Milagno died at Erie, Pa. Antonio was drunk, and went to the cellar to get more liquor. He fell and his wife came to his assistance with a lame, but he threw a hammer at her head and missed the mark. He then came upstairs with a can of oil and tar, which he threw in his wife's face. In an instant the mixture caught fire from the lamp and she was enveloped in flames.

Absconder Gives Himself Up.

Donald McClelland, 23 years old, of Westchester, N. Y., who absconded with \$2,500 belonging to the Bank of the Borough of Bronx, has been arrested. He sent telegrams to his mother and to the Westchester police stating that he was on his way from Chicago to New York to surrender himself. He had spent \$108, but the balance of the \$2,500 was found on

Explore Toward the South Pole.

exploring party has arrived at Punta Arenas, Brazil, where he is arranging for the arrival of the expedition. He states that the object of the expedition is not to reach the pole, but to reach the open sea discovered three years ago by the whaler Jason, off the coast of Victoria Land.

Fear He Has Been Murdered. Col. George A. Bute, a prominent min-

ing man of Telluride, Colo., is missing and his friends believe that he has been murdered, as he had a large sum of money when he left that camp. He visited a friend in Denver Aug. 24, and so far as is known none of his friends has seen or heard from him since that time.

Poured Acid on Her Hands

Two footpads stopped Mrs. Richard A. House, wife of a Chicago and Alton engineer, at an outlying point near Kansas City and robbed her of \$50. Mrs. House made a show of resistance, when one of the men poured the contents of a bottle of sulphuric acid on her hands. The men escaped unidentified.

Edmonds Says He Killed Haley. Edmonds, the alleged Youngstown, O., murderer, has admitted to the physicians that he killed Conductor Haley. Edmonds at times says God told him to shoot Haley and again he says the devil commanded him. Insanity is the defense.

To Control Coal Market.

The Vanderbilts have bought nearly half a million acres of coal and timber land in West Virginia. The object, it is said, is to control the coal market.

Big Crops of Kansas.

Kansas produced this year in crop value a grand total of \$233,410,143. This is more than 21 per cent increase over last year.

Blowing Up the Pallsades.

Officials of New Jersey are about to take steps to prevent the continued destruction of the Palisades. For months several quarry firms have been blasting rock to which they were not entitled. A law has been found which will show, it is thought, that these men are spoliators.

Oan You Write on Tobacco? At Washington, Secretary Wilson has offered to pay at the rate of \$15 per 1,000 words for the best article on tobacco culture and handling. The articles must mot exceed 10,000 words. .

THEIR SALARY IS EXEMPT.

Postmasters' Compensation Cannot Be Taxes by State or Municipality.

The issue as to whether a State or municipality can levy an income tax on the salary or compensation of a postmaster, a subject of broad interest to the Federal service generally, was decided in an opin-ion rendered by Acting Assistant Attorney General Harrison J. Barrett for the Postoffice Department at Washington. The case arose on an inquiry from the postmaster at Gastonia, N. C. It held that a State has no authority to tax the emoluments paid to any officers or agents which the United States may use and employ as necessary and proper means to execute its sovereign power. Mr. Bar-rett says: "The Government of the United States is supreme within its sphere of action and any act of State or municipal ity which attempts to tax the emoluments paid to the officers of the Government is unconstitutional and void. If the power existed in a State to tax the officers or agents of the Government it could there by impair the power of the United States in the execution of its sovereignty."

OUR INDIAN SCHOOLS.

Dr. W. N. Hailmann Praises the Influence o Returning Students.

Some interesting data as to the educa-tional aspect of the Indian problem is given in the annual report of Dr. W. N. Hailmann, superintendent of the Indian schools, which has just been made public at Washington. The subject of students going back to their tribes after school life is taken up, and Supt. Hailmann says he is still collecting data bearing on this phase of the problem; but the information already obtained justifies the statement that the severe criticisms made of both the Indians and schools on this score if at all justifiable are so only in a limited degree. Wherever on reservations there has been marked progress in civilization it is traceable largely to the returned students.

MILES WANTS A BIG ARMY.

Urges the Addition of 10,000 Men and Asks \$15,818,500 for Coast Defenses.

Gen. Miles has made his recommenda-tions to Secretary Alger at Washington. In order to prevent war and insure peace Gen. Miles asks \$15,318,300 for coast defenses; he urges the addition of 10,000 men to the army, would give the President power to increase the standing army to 70,000, and asks for five more reginents of infantry at once and two of ar tillery. Secretary Alger favors nearly all recommendations. Gen. Miles also asks that troops be sent to Alaska.

Bradstreet's Favorab'e Feport. Bradstreet's says: "There is a moderate improvement in staple prices and in the distribution of woolen goods, shoes, hats and hardware in the region tributary to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha. Colder weather northwest and in the central Mississippi and Missouri river valleys has helped retail trading Manufacturers of iron, steel, agricultura implements, railway cars and woolens report an active demand and large output Higher prices are recorded for wheat, corn, oats, sirups, hides, leather, shoes and turpentine. The reaction in iron and steel s likely to be followed by an advance in he present rate of consumption continues. Lower prices for wheat flour and pork are expected to recognize the advances on wheat and Indian corn, so that a lower price for copper is practically the only important decline in the week. Wheat exports show a heavy increase alike over last week and last year, and with one exception, that of the second week in September, make the largest single week's total on record. The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week aggregate 6,653,792 bushels, against 5,445,542 last week and 3,937,000 a year ago. The total exports in the second week of September, 1891, were 6,974,000 bushels. Corn exports also show a gain, aggregating 3,207,790 bushels for the week, against 2,975,721 last year. There are 235 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 273 last

week and 308 a year ago," Blanco's Hopeless Task.

The policy of the new Government is enraging the Spaniards in Cuba. Marshal Blanco's merciful program is de-nounced, and shouts for Weyler and re-venge are frequently heard. On the other hand, the insurgents are just as bitter and irreconcilable. Autonomy is scoffed at and will not be accepted. It is said that Blanco is disheartened at the outlook, as he has discovered there is chance for pacification of the island under the plans formulated by the Sagasta ministry. Reports from Matanzas say that conservatives, having become enraged at the change in the Government's policy, are disturbing public order. Ex-Mayor Crespo initiated the disorderly conduct by publicly giving offense to Senor Armas, the new civil governor of the province. The chief of police followed Senor Crespo's lead by endeavoring to prevent aid being given to the suffering reconcentrados by newspaper correspondents and oth-Of the reconcentrados in Matanzas, numbering more than 50,000, seventy nine died in two days, thirty-seven perishing from hunger.

Emperor William's Threat.

A dispatch to the London Daily Chronicle from Christiana, with reference to the political conflict between Norway and Sweden as to the relative rights of the two parts of the composite monarchy, says: "A prominent Swedish politician attributes to Emperor William the following statement: 'If the Norwegians seek to accomplish their ends I will crush Norway as I have already crushed Greece.'

Ohio Farmer Fatally Wounded.

William Horan shot and fatally wounded Allen Griffy in a street quarrel at Goshen, O. Horan surrendered himself. He says Griffy had threatened to kill him and was out hunting for him when they met. Both are farmers and Griffy was

Pitcher Turns Preacher.

Following in the footsteps of "Billy" Sunday, another professional baseball player has turned evangelist. The latest acquisition to the ranks of the teachers of scripture is Edward M. Lewis, one of the pitchers of the Boston Baseball club.

Steers Roast in a Car.

Sixteen head of cattle were roasted alive in a Santa Fe cattle car at Wakarusa station, Kansas. The bellowing of the tortured beasts could be heard for

Schuyikili Colliery is Given Up. Schuylkill colliery, a familiar landmark of the Mahanoy valley, which has been in operation since 1863, has been abandoned. FIND THE MURDERER

IT IS CLAIMED THAT CLAYTON'S ASSASSIN IS KNOWN.

He Is a Prisoner in the Georgia Penitentiary-Guard Holds His Information for a Reward-The United States Makes a Scaling Concession.

He Killed John M. Clayton

The murderer of John M. Clayton of Arkansas, it is claimed, is now serving a term in the Georgia penitentiary. He is white mas, and his term will soon expire. J. M. Clayton, a brother of Powell Clayton, a Republican leader, was murdered in Nevember, 1888, and while the State of Arkansas was quivering with excitement the assassin escaped to the mountains of north Georgia. He remained there under an assumed name until the penchant for crime mastered him, and he worked his way into convict stripes. In a moment when his secret preyed too heavily upon his mind he imparted it to a fellow consict, who told a guard named Aiken. Aiken, who claims to hold the key to the mystery, was seen. He is holding his information for a reward, and declines to disclose the convict's name at this time. Gov. Jones of Arkansas has reopened the case, and has authorized a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of Clayton's murderer.

CONGRESS MAY SIT UNTIL AUGUST. Burrows of Michigan Believes a Long Session

Is Likely.

The general opinion that the coming session of Congress will be a short one is opposed by Senator Burrows of Michigan, who has just arrived in Washington, and who declares that the session will likely last until August. "In addition to the routine business of Congress," he said, "the Hawaiian question will be disposed of and consideration will be given to the currency question, immigration and a few other things. I think that the question of the annexation of Hawaii will come up very soon after the meeting of Congress, and will be disposed of in favor of annexation. As to the Cuban question, the situation is very peculiar. Probably by the latter part of January or some time in February we will know what the result of Spain's new policy is going to be, and meanwhile Congress should take no action. I think," he added, "that the most perplexing thing that confronts us is how to handle the currency question."

CONCESSION BY UNITED STATES.

Villing to Suspend Sealing on the Pribylof Islands for a Year.

One of the most important features of the Bering sea negotiations, not heretofore disclosed, is that in the event that Great Britain and Canada consent to the suspension of pelagic sealing for one year the United States will agree to a suspension of all killing of seals for one year on the Pribylof Islands, constituting the American seal possessions in Bering sea. As the islands are a part of the United States territory, no question has ever arisen as to the right of the United States to do as it chose as to the seals while on land and within three miles of the shore, the three miles being a part of the island, according to international law. The con_ention of the United States was primarily for the suspension of pelagic sealing, but under the exigencies of the case it was felt that if that suspension could be secured it would be reasonable to concede a similar suspension within United States territory.

An Enterprising Young Desperado.

Alvah Kooken, the young cattle thief who held up three officers who had arrested him at Emporia, Kan., and escap ed, was captured at Cheney. He was discovered on the blind baggage when the train left Goddard. Word was sent to Cheney, and when the train pulled in there three officers with Winchesters got the drop on the young desperado and made him hand over three revolvers. Kooken was sent to the reform school not over five years ago, and is not over 21 years old. He has served two years in the Missouri penitentiary.

Cubans Elect New Officers

The Cuban assembly elected these offieers for the republic: President, Gen. Bartolome Masso; vice-president, Mendez Capote; secretary of war, Brig. Aleman; secretary of state, Fonte Sterling; secre tary of foreign affairs, Moreno Delatorre secretary of the interior, Dr. Manuel R. Silva; commander-in-chief of the army, Maximo Gomez; inspector general, Carlos

New Trial for Koerner. The Court of Appeals at Albany, N. Y. rendered a decision granting a new trial in the case of William Jay Koerner, under sentence of death for the murder of his sweetheart, Rose A. Redgate, in New York City, in September, 1896. Koerner is a newspaper artist, formerly of Pittsburg, Pa. His defense was insanity. The crime was committed on a crowded atreet, and in broad daylight.

Gerald Gets Off Free.

At Waco, Tex., Col. G. B. Gerald, who shot and killed the Harris brothers in a controversy arising out of the Brann-Baylor trouble, has been exonerated by the court. It was shown that Col. Gerald did not draw his weapon until he himself was under cross fire from the Harris brothers, and that the shooting was in self-defense.

St. Louis Warehouse Burns. A disastrous fire occurred in North St. Louis in the warehouse of the Rayens-wood Distillery Company. The loss will amount to \$100,000, insurance about 75

barrel of alcohol when the bung flew out

Two employes were rolling a

and a stream of alcohol covered a lantern. Sentenced for Embezzement.

Sentence of six years and six months each at hard labor was passed on John B. Meixell, ex-cashier, and Willis E. Hoch, ex-teller, of the South Bethlehem (Pa.) National Bank. Both men pleaded guilty to embezzlement.

Strange Way to Die.

Ed Buechner, aged 52, dealer in meat, was found dead at his shop in Topeka, Kan., drowned in a barrel used to catch drip water from a refrigerator. His head was under the water, although his feet were on the floor.

Fritz Meyer to Die January 10. Fritz Meyer, alias Constantine Steiger, who was convicted of the murder of ro liceman Frederick Smith, was sentenced at New York to be electrocuted during the week beginning Jan. 10,

DECLARES HE IS AN EMBEZZLER. Former Oity Clerk of Durango, Colo., Sur

renders to Chicago Polics.
A'man claiming to be Charles E. Meuser, city clerk of Durango, Colo., and who is wanted there for embezzling \$500 of the city's funds, walked into the Harrison street police station in Chicago and surrendered. "For six months prior to leaving Durango," said Meuser, been stealing the city's funds, and altogether I stole about \$500. There was a festival in Denver, and I went there with the Durango band, of which I am a member. Knowing that my embezzlement would soon be found out, I decided to look for employment in Chicago and make good the amount I had stolen. I was unable to find work, and when I was reduced to 95 cents I decided to go back and face the authorities." Meuser is about 30 years old, and was formerly city editor of the

NO TRACE OF ANDREE.

Durango Herald.

Search Steamer Returns, but Brings No Tidings of the Explorer.

The steamer Victoria, which was fitted out by the governor of Tromsoe. Norway. instructions from King Oscar, to search for Prof. Andree, the missing sero naut, and his party, and which left there on Nov. 5. has returned from Spitzenber gen. She brings no news as to the where abouts or movements of Prof. Andree, al though exploring parties landed ten times at various points on Danmand's Isles Victoria was provisioned for eight months and carried a crew of fifteen men.

Mob Beats a Tramp.

John Wade, a tramp, called at the home of a farmer named Wilson at Bonnot's Mills, Mo., and demanded something to eat. Mrs. Wilson and her daughter were They refused the demand and Wade began a tirade of abuse. Mr. Wilson happened along at that juncture and after administering a severe beating to Wade, shot him in the leg. He began abusing the citizens on every hand. Sev eral became incensed and a mob formed and beat Wade into insensibility.

Murder Spoils a Wedding.

A murder broke up the wedding feast at the marriage of Katie Silverstein to Isaac Goldstein in a tenement house in Henry street, New York. Charles Schapiro arrived at the festivities armed with a re-volver, shot Louis Lieberman in the abdomen, inflicting a wound from which Lieberman died shortly afterward, and he would have killed Lieberman's son Meyer had not two detectives arrived in time to

Gypsies Kidnap Children.

At St. Louis, Mo., four gypsies tried to kidnap Willie and Henry Wilman, aged 10 and 8 years. Henry escaped and told John, an older brother, who procured a revolver and went after the gypsies, who were carrying off Willie. John forced the nomads to release the boy.

Burned in an Oven. Patrick Convery, aged 28 years, entered ne of the buildings of the New Jersey Steel and Iron Company at Trenton, N and sought a place to sleep. He climb ed into an oven and later the night watchstarted a fire in the furnace with which the oven was connected

Wolf Attacks Woman.

At Alden, Kan., Mrs. John Vincent had a desperate encounter with a wolf, which had been kept as a pet, but chained in the yard. Mrs. Vincent shot the animal, after it had severely lacerated her arm.

Rockefeller Adds to His Gift. John D. Rockefeller telegraphed to the faculty of Mount Holyoke College at South Hadley, Mass., that he will add

\$10,000 to his previous gift of \$40,000 to complete Rockefeller Hall.

Cars Jump the Track. Two sleeping cars on the rear of a West Shore train jumped the tracks in the New York Central yard at Buffalo, N. Y. Theresa A. McCarty of Detroit, Mich.,

was severely injured. lows the Best of Her Class.

Commodore Dewey, president of the naval trial board, has returned to Washington from the sea trial of the Iowa, which he declares is the best ship of her class in the world.

California Is Shaken. cks of earthquake were felt at Randsburg, Cal. The vibrations were from north to south. Buildings shook perceptibly, but no damage

Gen. Ordway Dies in New York. Gen. Albert Ordway, father of Bettina Girard, died at the Hoffman House, New York.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago-Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 94c to 96c; corn, No. 2, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2, 20c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 48c; butter, choice creamery, 20c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 19c; new potatoes, 40c to 55c per

bushel. Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 94c; corn, No. 2 white, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c.

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 96c to 98c; corn. No. 2 yellow, 24c to 26c; onts, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 45c to 46c. Cincinnati-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs,

\$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 93c to 95c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 29c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 47c.

Detroit-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 93c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 28c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 25c; rye, 47c to 48c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 93c to 94c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c;

clover seed, \$3.15 to \$3.25. Milwaukee-Wheat, No. 2 spring, 86c

to 87c; corn, No. 3, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c; barley, No. 2, 38c to 41c; pork, mess, \$7.00 to \$7.50. Buffalo-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 96c to 97c; corn, No.

2 yellow, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 26c to 28c. New York-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4.25; wheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 99c to \$1.00; corn. No. 2, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; butter, creamery, 15c to 24c; eggs, Western, 21c to 23c.

SALE OF CUBAN BONDS

SHREWD PLAN OF THE INSUR-GENT ENVOYS.

Securities of the Projected Republic Scattered Freely-Price Is Merely Nominal-Gen. Alger Thinks Alaska Should Be Admitted.

Want Their Belligerency Recognized. Recognition of belligerency by Congress luring the coming winter is the program of the Cuban agitators. As a preliminary to an effort to secure this they have for a considerable time been using Cuban bonds in all quarters where there was the slightest probability that such securities would be of service. It would, perhaps, be unfair to say that these bonds have been put out among members of Congress. There is no proof at hand that direct efforts to bribe members of the national legislature have been made by the friends of Cuba. But it is known that bonds have been used in ways calculated directly to influence men who are supposed to have power over Congressmen. Information has reached the State Department of various attempts to use bonds of the Cuban republic in this way. The usual method has been to sell them out for a trifle, say a few cents on the dollar. Men have been asked to buy them, not only as a patriotic act for the purpose of helpworthy cause, but as a good investment. The argument has been used that as soon as Cuba's belligerency is recognized these bonds will be worth 30 or 40 cents on the dollar, and if independence should be recognized they will soon be worth near par.

REFUSES TO STOP SEALING.

Canada Brings to Naught the Efforts of the Recent Conference

A reply has been prepared by the Dominion Government and forwarded to Washington in respect to the negotiations which are now going on between both countries. It is understood that it is a refusal to stop pelagic scaling for a year, as the United States requested. The whole question depended upon this, and therefore it would appear that the negotiations are to fail in their object. However, there is a report that the Canadian Government has proposed an alternative proposition for the consideration of the United States, which could be laid before Congress at its next sitting and passed in time to deal with pelagic sealing and the questions of dispute next season.

GEN. AL GER'S IDEA.

He Thinks Alaska Should Be Made Two Territories.

In a recent interview in New York, Secretary of War Alger was asked: "Do you think Alaska should be made a territory?" to which he replied: "I do; betory?" to which he replied: cause by next summer I think from 100,000 to 200,000 people will be in the Yukon country. My idea is that two terri-tories should be made and the Yukon country should be one of them. A territorial form of government will be much better than the present method of governing Alaska, in my opinion. The State of Nevada has about 35,000 inhabitants and the Yukon country alone will have three or four times that number next spring."

Human Bones Sent in a Box.

Victor Kessler, a butcher who resides at St. Joseph, Mo., received a box contain six small human bones. The box was delivered by a man who represented nimself to be an employe of the Wells-Fargo Express Company. A letter dated at St. Louis accompanied the box. It requested Kessler to bury the bones and ask no questions. He has turned them

over to the police.

Loss of a River Boat. The steamer Telegraph, one of the largest and best boats plying the Ohio river, sunk at Fern Grove, a short distance from Louisville. The crew and passeners had a narrow escape from drowning. The cause of the accident could not be definitely learned. The Telegraph

be a total loss. She was worth \$10,000.

Rallway Car Heater Bursts. As a passenger train over the Evansville division of the Illinois Central road was leaving Dekoven, Ky., a steam heater in a crowded coach exploded, scattering pieces of pipe in all directions and fill. ing the car with a cloud of scalding vapor. Six persons were injured and the coach

totally wrecked. Half a Million at Stake.

Relatives of the late Mrs. Ruby Tilden Paine of New York, a niece of S. J. Tilden, have begun a contest for the half million dollars she left. The husband gets it all, but Mrs. Blatchford, Mrs. Paine's sister, claims a will was left which the husband is hiding or has .e.

Fire in the Coal Bunkers.

The coal bunkers of in the United States hattle ship Oregon caught fire from spontaneous combustion, and for over eight hours the crew worked to smother what looked like a costly blaze. The war ship will be drydocked at San Francisco.

Murder in Second Degree

At Vinton, Iowa, the Novak jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree. Accompanying this was a recommendation that punishment be placed at ten years in the penitentiary at hard

Tebacconist John E. Liggett Is Dead. John E. Liggett, the millionaire tobacconist of St. Louis, died, aged 70 years.

Steel Clipper Burned. The full-rigged ship Port Patrick of the

Port Line, Glasgow, Scotland, Captain Frank Hand, was almost wholly destroyed by fire at her dock in the East river, New York. Her cargo, valued at about \$100,000, was also destroyed. Her captain and crew escaped. London Sends Capt Jackson

has been informed Capt. Henry B. Jackson of the royal navy has been appointed naval attache of the British embassy there in place of Capt. Lewis Wintz.

Four Years for the Bank Cashier.

The Secretary of State at Washington

At Kansas City, Kan., George A. Taylor, cashier of the defunct Argentine Bank, has been sentenced to four years in the Kansas penitentiary for receiving deposits when he knew that the bank was in an insolvent condition.

KETCHAM CASE MYSTERIOUS

Developments Look Bad for the Millionaire's Alleged Widow.

Several peculiar phases have developed in connection with the death of Millionaire John B. Ketcham in Chicago. The dead man since being divorced from his first wife was supposed to have remained single up to the time of his death. He was a victim of chronic alcoholism and his associates knew him to be rapidly declining. About a month ago he disappeared from the Auditorium hotel, where he had made his home, and it was announced that he was in the care of friends. Afterward came the announcement of his death at the residence of Mrs. Mabel Wallace-Walkup, who also claims the name Ketcham, the woman asserting that the dead broker married her in Milwankee shortly before his death and



claiming that he willed his entire estate to her.

The case has been closely watched by the police and State's Attorney. Ketcham's physician, it seems, had told his patient if he persisted in drinking it would cause his death.

The sick man utterly disregarded this injunction and the officials are now won-dering why he was not compelled to leaveliquor alone in view of the doctor's un-qualified order. From all reports it is evident that Ketcham had no medical attendance during the last week of his life. excepting the day he died. These facts have but strengthened the intentions of

the Ketcham family to contest the will. Criminal proceedings are threatened against the alleged widow and several other persons whose names have not been divulged, but who John Borden Ketcham's relatives will charge were associated in what they characterize as a conspiracy. Attorney James E. Purnell, representing the dead banker's family, said that enough evidence relative to John B. Ketcham's life in the Wallace Walkup house, as well as the marriage that was performed in Milwaukee last September, has been collected by detectives to make a clear case of conspiracy against several

Relatives will contest his will, if such an instrument is in existence, on the ground that he was not only of umsound mind at the time he may have signed it, but for ten months previous. Ketcham's two brothers and two sisters will also deny that their brother was legally married to Mabel Wallace-Walkup. They will claim that he was entirely incapable of making any kind of a contract at the time of the alleged marriage, or indeed for nearly a year previous. Actorney James E. Purnell, who has charge of the case, says he has abundant proof that John B. Ketcham has been mentally unsound for almost a year, and that there has been noproof of a marriage with Mrs. Walkupoffered by the alleged wife. The attorney served notice on the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank to restrain Mrs. Walkup from having access to the safety box.



MABEL WALLACE-WALKUP-KETCHAM. which the dead man kept his securities. Attorney Purnell also notified the court: that the will will be contested as soon as

CHRISTMAS AT DAWSON.

An Oregon Man Expects to Make \$100-

000 in Holiday Dinners. Mr. Charles H. Vest of Portland, Ore., has started for Alaska on a remarkable venture. He intends to furnish the people of Dawson with Christmas dinners and at the same time make his fortune. Mr. Vest's transportation outfit consisted of 28 dogs and 10 sleds. He has five helpers. His merchandise consists of 3,843 dozen eggs, 1½ tons of dressed poultry and \$50 worth of oysters. The eggs were carefully broken and placed in caus, six to the can, and then frozen solid. The poultry and oysters were likewise put through the freezing process, and until the steamer sails will remain in the cold storage warehouse. The steamer has frigerator room, where the stuff will be stowed, and after reaching Dyes no precaution will be necessary. Mr. Vest. on reaching Dawson, expects to sell his poultry for \$5 a pound and the oysters for 100 times what they cost him. Latest Dawson quotations on eggs were \$18 per dozen, and by Christmas, Mr. Vest be-lieves, they will fetch \$35 a dozen. He hopes to realize \$100,000 on the specula-

During the nine months ended on the 30th of September last there were shipped from the United States to Great Britain the following quantity and value of food products:

FAITHFUL RECOUNTING OF HER LATEST NEWS.

Culture of Sugar Beets Around Port Hnron-An Important Tax Decision-Old Man Burned to Death-Shot His Father-Killed by Mistake.

Better Than Expected. Secretary Fred W. Sherman of the Port Huron Beet Sugar Co., has received a report from the State analyst, Prof. R. C. Kedzie of the Aminatory Kedzie, of the Agricultural College giving the result of an analysis of samples of sugar beets grown in that section. Of thirty samples which were submitted, grown in different sections of the county an average percentage of sugar of 17.01 was secured, and a percentage of purity of 83.9. In several instances where the data was kept, patches showed a yield of twenty-five to twenty-eight tons per acre. With the percentage of sugar contained in the beets disclosed in the analysis they would have brought \$5.67 per ton at the

An Important Decision. Judge Sharpe filed an opinion in Circuit Court at West Branch in the case of Geo. N. Hauptman, and David N. Wright vs. the township of Horton et al., to set aside certain taxes assessed on complainants' lands for certain reasons assigned, one of which was that the Board of Equalization neglected to meet on the first of the two days prescribed by law that they shall meet, and on which day complainants' agents endeavored to be heard before the board. The board did meet on the second day. Judge Sharpe holds that, while the failure of the board to meet on the first day might have caused the complainants considerable inconvenience, it did not deprive them of their constitutional right to be heard, and that they should have presented themselves on the second day, un-less informed that no meeting of the board would be held, and holding the taxes valid for that reason.

Shot His Father.

Henry Kammerer shot and killed his 70-year-old father, John Kammerer, their home nine miles from Benton Harbor. The two men had an altercation over the plowing of some ground, and the son threw a stone at his father, who re-cented it. They went to the house, and, without warning, the son picked up a 38-caliber repeating rifle and fired at his father, striking him just above the heart. The old man started to escape, and an other bullet struck him in the stomach. He fell and the son, supposing he had killed him, stepped into a shed and shot himself. The shot did not prove fatal, and, seeing his father rise, he fired another shot at him, then, turning to the shed, he took down a shotgun, and, after setting fire to the shed, blew his brains out by discharging both barrels.

Killed the Fireman.

The boiler in Milton Artley's large wood working factory at Carleton exploded, killing the fireman, Edward Craft, and injuring Fred Artley, son of the owner, Otis and Cyrus Burroughs. The force of the explosion shook every building in town and left the factory almost a total wreck. The cause of the explosion is un-

Did He Kill Himself?

Dell C. Slaght of Flint, secretary of the Michigan Knights of the Grip, and for many years a traveling salesman, was discovered in an unconscious condition, lying on a lounge in the Elks lodge room the other morning. The gas had been turned on full head. Slaght died. There is much mystery surrounding the case.

Louis Smoked in Bed.

Louis Bell, a Frenchman, aged 82, was burned to death in his bedroom, 94 Greenwood avenue, Detroit. He occupied a lit-tle bedroom upstairs, isolated from the other rooms. He had a habit of smoking in bed, and it is supposed that his pipelight set fire to the bed clothes.

Burned to Death.

Michael Kennedy, a widower aged 85 years, living alone in Caledonia township, was found dead in his burning shan-The shanty burned to the ground. The supposition is that the shanty caught fire from the old man making too big a fire in the stove.

Met a Cowboy's Fate.

John Burgess, aged 19, shot and killed George Hart at Meridian. Hart, who was engaged to marry Burgess' sister, disguised himself as a cowboy and tried to frighten Burgess, who became angry and killed the supposed tramp.

Minor State Matters.

The Ithaca opera house is being rebuilt into a business block and the town will have no play house.

The wife of Supervisor Oscar Utley of

Vienna fell, breaking two ribs and receiving several bruises.

Bay City's beet sugar factory will undoubtedly be built the ensuing winter, and be ready for next year's crop of beets.

The Eastern Genesee Teachers' Association has elected J. Russel president for 1898, and will meet at Goodrich next

Tommie Scott, a young son of Fred Scott of Port Huron, was run down by a team while wheeling and seriously injured.

Rev. James M. Provan of Shelby will probably accept the unanimous call extended him by the Buchanan Presbyterian Church.

Peter Peterson of St. Joseph, who attempted to murder his sweetheart, Miss Eliza Harris, July 4, was sentenced to eight years in prison.

The Escanaba street railway has shut put of any previous season. The ton-nage of this single year will be greater up shop and quit being anything but a right of way. Cause—the owners are tired of losing money. The stock of the Jennings dry goods

establishment at Lapeer has been sold to C. J. Cudworth of Armada. Mr. Jennings had been in business for forty years. Adler Franks, a farmer living five miles

out of Port Huron, was instantly killed in a runaway accident.

Hillsdale is to have a new industry in the shape of an aluminum comb factory.
Fred Hayden, alias James Hayden, was sentenced at Howell to ninety days in the Detroit house of correction for an ansault on Postmaster Brown of Brigh-

Three large wildcats were killed near Alger last week. There were four to-gether, but one got away. They were very large and fierca. They bring a boun-ridges west of there were used in the days

Elmer City is to have a new hotel, and PRESIDENT HAS CARE

out \$53,000 to farmers so far this season.

Alpena's commercial fishermen will

Armada councilmen have changed the

Hesperia has already raised \$9,000 for

the new electric railway which is to run

F. C. Sturgis of Grand Rapids had his

hand, which was covered with wood al-

Mrs. Minnie Ackerman is suing Owosso

for \$2,000 damages for injuries received

Belding firemen have tired of working

or nothing, and will ask the village coun-

John Mulder, a 17-year-old Grand Rap-

ds newsboy, was accidentally shot and

John W. Harris, a resident of Battle

James Cushway, who stole overcoats

from Bay City hotels, will spend ninety

Emma Dickinson, the 6-year-old Owos-

so girl who was abducted by Albert Pet-

erson, has been located near Whitmore

Daniel Button, an eccentric farmer liv-

ing near Okemos, was robbed of \$150 by two boys. The lads made good their

Eugene La Rose of Essexville fell from

the tower of St. John's Church while

hunting sparrows and three ribs were

Albert Haven, aged 50 years, a farmer

living near Grass Lake, committed sui-

cide by hanging. No cause is known for

Adelbert Fairchild and Frank Santee

An unknown man was found floating in

the Rifle river at the old D. & M. bridge

at Prescott. He had apparently been in

Fifty thousand bushels of potatoes have

been shipped from Manton so far this sea-

son. More than this quantity has been

A year ago Druggist F. A. Tepoorten of Bay City accidentally swallowed a

The Ladies' Guild of Grace Episcopal

Church at Holland, known for its skill in

making fancy articles, has received a large order from Paris, France.

The late Alexander Sayers of Holton

was the father of fourteen children.

Three of his sons went into the army with

A woman clerk who worked for Osburn

& Sons of Owosso, twenty years ago, has

Adrian Common Council is after the

officials of the Detroit and Lima North-

ern Railroad because the latter are no

fulfilling agreements relative to crossings.

The Christy family of St. Clair in-

cludes three brothers, aged respectively: Andrew, 81; Henry, 84; Samuel, 86, and

one sister, Mary Ann, 76. Henry alone

Several hundred skilled miners could

get work in the Marquette range mines

at once. There is still an adequate sup-

ply of day laborers. The same state of affairs exists on the Menaminee and Go-

It is told of a farmer in Ionia County.

who used green willow for corner posts

for his barn, that the posts have taker

root and grown, and that the building is

considerably higher than it was. Some

limbs have also come out for him to hang

Pastor A. F. Nagler and the official

boards of the Bellevue Methodist Epis-

copal Church have suspended the Ep-

worth League from any connection with the church for three months for conduct

alleged to be prejudicial to the best in-

The total ore shipments by Lake Supe-

rior mines to Nov. 1 were in excess of

11,000,000 gross tons, or about one million

tons in excess of the shipments of any

previous year. The November and De

cember shipments by water and the all-

rail shipments to furnaces will bring the total for 1897 to perhaps 12,250,000 tons,

or two million tons in excess of the out-

than the combined output of all the iron

mines of Lake Superior from the time

that ore was first found, in 1844, until Jan. 1, 1879. The 1898 production will

reach at least 15,000,000 gross tons and

The Quincy Mining Company has de-

cided to build a smelter plant of its own next season. The plant will be located at

Ripley on the site of the old Pewabic

stamp mill, and will be very large and

While excavating in a gravel pit on the

Jackson farm, a few miles west of Elsie, workingmen discovered the skeleton of a

man in excellent condition, and on "the Ridge," three miles west of Elsie, other

skeletons and various articles of pottery

have been exhumed last fall. The gravel

has married.

gebic ranges.

his harness on.

terests of the church.

may exceed that amount.

complete.

just returned five cents which she appro-

him, and one died in the service.

priated while working for the firm.

The coin gave him no trouble un-

of Charlotte settled a little difficulty with bare fists in a 45-minute fight. Both were

days at the Detroit house of correction.

Creek for thirty years and a painter by trade, committed suicide at Cincinnati.

bicycle ordinance of that village four times in six months.

obey the law making a close season from

Ottawa County has a factory which turns out wooden shoes. Geo. D. Bradford has been appointed

deputy collector at Alpena.

track.

completed.

sixth time.

effect Dec. 1.

some weeks ago.

Nov. 1 to Dec. 15.

between there and Hart.

cohol burned to a crisp.

Lake.

escape.

badly punished.

the water some time.

shipped from Greenville.

til when he coughed it up.

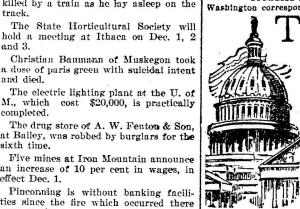
from a defective sidewalk.

cil to pay them a yearly salary.

killed while handling a sparrow gun.

Frank G. Hatswell has been appointed oad foreman of the F. & P. M. For Four Years Our Chief Executive Samuel Cook paid a \$10 fine at Port Is the Greatest Burden Bearer of the Huron for selling fake spectacles. Nation-Must Suppress All Personal Potato dealers at Cadillac have paid

Benjamin Herrington of Lakeside was Troubles of His Own. Washington correspondence: killed by a train as he lay asleep on the The State Horticultural Society will



O be a President of the United States is by no means an easy task, and there probably no man in the vast republic who carries such a load of care as the chief executive of the nation. From January till the time vember he has to en-

NO EASY TASK TO BE THE HEAD

OF THIS REPUBLIC.

Inclination and Assume Dignity.

dure a physical and mental strain that would wreck constitution of most men, and he emerges from the struggle bearing not only the palm of victory but also the thousand and

one weighty details which are pressed upon him as the presumptive occupant of the executive mansion. From the time of his election till the morning of his in auguration he is the most watched, the nost sought, and the most worked man in the country. And the cares already borne are only an intimation of those that come after his inaugural address has been read and he has taken possession of the executive mansion.

Not the least of the things which re-

quire the attention of the new occupant of the executive mansion is the care which must be taken not to say or do anything that would not be in accordance with the dignity and traditions of the great office he is endeavoring to fill. As in great things so it is with innumerable small affairs. He must many times a day ask himself the question if this or that suggested action is in keeping with the dig-nity of the President of the United States. Personal impulses by the thousand must be suppressed. The man must to a great extent make himself over. Almost without exception every American who has occupied the presidential office has risen to it, risen in character and dignity and manner, no matter how much below it he was at the outset. It is an office which demands that a man shall sink himself and become almost another entity.

The wonder is that so many of our Presidents have retained their personal characteristics and habits, their nauralness and simplicity, while in office. All the tendency is in the other direction. Unconsciously to the man himself he is drawn out of himself. He ceases to be as his friends knew him, as he knew himself, as he takes on a new consciousness. He is "the President." This fact he is never permitted to forget. It follows him everywhere. It bobs up impertinenty at the simplest dinner in a country house as well as in a cabinet meeting a the executive mansion.

In monarchical countries sovereigns are They are to the manner born. From infancy they are trained to be rulers. They approach gradually, step by step, the station which we thrust a man into almost without warning. It is a fact that the greatest, most stupendous tran-sition which comes to any man in the world is to him whom the people of the United States take from his law office or ais home or his modest official station and thrust into the presidential chair. A dis tinguished foreigner said not long ago: "It is amazing that you get as good Presidents as you do, and it is a remarkable thing that your public men are adaptable enough to rise so easily and naturally to the heights of your sovereignty. But they cannot be happy." This foreigner was right. Probably not one President in ten is happy while in office.

A Weight of Care. As if this were not enough, our political system makes the President the center of party activity, of personal ambition and desire. Not only must all appointments the mode theoretically by the nents be made theoretically by him as chief executive, but actually by him in person. Before making them he must see and talk with all the interested perno matter how great their number. If they come again and again, for the avowed purpose of "bringing the pressure of persistency," they must be seen and mollified. Crossroads politicians must have access to the ruler of the American people about seven-by-nine postoffloor The President must keep open house to all the Senators and Representatives in Congress, of whom there are something like 450, and the most of whom are proessional office brokers. Through all this the President is expected to maintain his dignity and his equanimity, keep his patience unrufiled and his sense of justice and of the fitness of things unwarped. During the whole four years of his administration he bears upon his shoulders the responsibilities and cares of the nation. In the case of most Presidents there is no cessation of toil. The cares of the chief executive are rarely dropped when he leaves the office. They accompany him to the social function, they are his constant companion as he attempts to enjoy a few days' outing, they are kis most intimate associates even in his family circle, and they even follow him into his bed chamber and there minister to the discomforts of his slumber.

Americans are not always a considerate people, but it is doubtful if they ever had a better chance to see themselves as they really are than in the book which ex-President Benjamin Harrison has just published, in which he devotes a chapter to telling of his own experiences in the four years he passed in the White House. There seems to be no danger of the chief nagistrate of the nation forgetting that he is, in the most literal sense of the vords, a public servant, paid by the public for the public to enjoy at its leisure.

During the first three weeks of his term he President of these United States has o shake hands with not less than 40,000 of his fellow citizens. If any one has ever seen the Auditorium when 10,000 persons have been packed into it, and will multiply that number by four and contemplate shaking hands with all of them. he will form a notion of what infinite nuisances hand-shaking folk can make of themselves if you can only get enough of them together. Mr. Harrison records that every one who ever had to undergo the ordeal suffered acute physical torture until President Hayes discovered that if he reached forward and grasped the hand of soldiers, not one of whom may ever speak Austrian stave cutters, recent, an approaching "shaker" before the to him. Latterly his hut has been inclos-

"shaker" had a chance to grasp his and squeeze it to show his good will he could escape serious discomfort and all actual pain. President McKinley—the Ohio man is fertile in resource—has another way he holds his hand level with his waist with the back of it up and in this attitude it is only possible to get a firm grip on the fingers, which does not hurt nearly as much as pinching the rest of the band.

But the handshaking lasts through the term, though not in such exorbitant quantities. It is not the only trouble. The letter writing fiend gets in his direful work—to the extent of some 800 letters a day. They ask all sorts of things, from an autograph for a log cabin quilt to the loan of money enough to buy a poor girl a piano. Then, if the President is not prompt to send them all they have requested, they write again to tell him what mean man they have now learned he is Private citizens take their turn with charitable and religious organizations in begging for money, and a woman in North Calolina telegraphed one morning: have six little children and they want to throw me out of the house. I have nowhere to go. I want protection." The autograph collector is numerously in evidence—scores of them every day of the 1,461 which make up a presidential term. A pile of cards and a bushel basket full of albums are the first things that greet a chief magistrate's satiated eyes every morning when he comes into his office Then there is the man who wishes to have the opinion of the President of the United States on the best method of keeping calcimine from coming off on the clothing, or the woman who has just discovered a new process for fried cakes or sally lunn, and is willing to involve the White House cook in her joys. Think of four years of that sort of thing!

IS CAPT. DREYFUS INNOCENT?

All Paris Excited Over a Story of Blackmail and Corruption.

The allegation that Alfred Dreyfus,

former captain of French artillery, was falsely accused and convicted by a court martial of selling French military plans to the agents of a foreign government, continues to be widely discussed in Paris and throughout France. The presentation of the prisoner's case to the French the trial until he could go upon the wit-

ed in a large iron cage, in order that all END OF THE SEASON. possibility of escape may be removed. Compared to this the life imprisonment of an ordinary criminal is merciful. Drey fus is certainly being tortured to death.

NOVAK IS FOUND GUILTY.

Jury Returns a Verdict of Murder in

the Second Degree. Frank Novak, on trial at Vinton, Iowa for killing Edward Murray, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree. The jury returned its verdict recommending that his punishment be ten years in the penitentiary. Counsel for



the prisoner said he regarded the verdict

great victory for the defense.

A serious mistake on the part of the State in the proceedings of the trial was discovered at the very last moment, and Novak's counsel fought persistently to prevent its rectification. After the dence had been closed on both sides it was discovered that the county attorney had omitted to show that the village of Walford, Novak's home and where the tragedy occurred, was in Benton County.

County Attorney Tobin requested a short stay in the regular proceedings of



THE BARBARIC CAGE BUILT AROUND CAPTAIN DREYFUS' HUT.

Government, which caused the present stock jobbers who beset the late Max Lebaudy, the millionaire conscript.

The plot, it would further seem, was conceived in 1893, when the wave of "Jew baiting" swept over Europe. Drey-fus is of Jewish extraction, and these jackals of Parisian society, easting about for funds, determined to "bleed this wealthy Jew." A beautiful adventuress, whose house was the resort of a number of French officers and foreign diplomats,

By invitation Dreyfus was a frequent visitor to her house. In due course of time the plan for the mobilization of the French army, which had been drawn up in a handwriting which cleverly imitated that of Dreyfus, was produced and money was demanded for its surrender. Drey fus, however, it is said, refused to pay the sum demanded, knowing that the purchase of the document would be an admission of his guilt and would furnish ground for future extortion, and being aware that the fact that he had been friendly toward the woman, who herself was a party to the plot, would be considered part of the strongest evidence of his

guilt. Friends of Drevfus assert that the newspapers have constantly maintained warfare against Dreyfus, even up to the present time, and that in consequence prisoner's wife and family are oblig ed to keep secluded.

Alfred Dreyfus is now enduring the most terrible punishment inflicted by a civilized nation upon a human being. Four years ago he was a rich, brilliant Parisian a captain in the army, attached to the general staff. Suddenly he was arrested and without legal procedure condemned by a council of war to exile for life in French Guiana. He was charged with betraying French military plans to a foreign government, understood to be the German. The sole evidence against him was a brief note, alleged to have been found in the waste paper basket of the

German embassy.

Although the trial of Dreyfus was absolutely secret, his condemnation was of the most public character conceivable The unfortunate man was taken to the Champ de Mars, the largest parade ground in Paris, where 4,000 troops were drawn up in line. Dreyfus stood in the midst of them. After the judgment of the council of war had been read, a lieutenant took the sword of Drevfus and broke it across his knee, and then cut the buttons, epaulets and other marks of military rank from him.

Then he was sent to his place of exile the Devil's Island, off the coast of French Guiana, in South America. There yellow fever is permanent. On this island he is condemned to spend the rest of his life, watched day and night by three old

ness stand and swear that the town of agitation, reveals a romance with the Walford was in Benton County that the "gang" of so-called "journalists" and evidence might be incorporated in the evidence might be incorporated in the case. Both Attorneys Ney and Milner strongly opposed this plan, but Judge Burnham overruled the objection and permitted the State to make correction of the records. The Charles Wood story from Seattle was exploded. It is alleged that the next Weed place. that the part Wood played was carefully arranged by Novak's friends

LINCOLN'S GRANDDAUGHTER

is said to have acted as the go-between Is a Happy Bride, but Papa Will Not

Forgive Her. Miss Jessie Lincoln, daughter of Col. Robert Lincoln, and granddaughter of the immortal "Abe," is a happy bride, but mingled with her happiness is much sorrow. She is a bright and handsome young woman and a favorite in Chicago society. few days ago she married without her father's knowledge, a youth named War-ren Beckwith. The young husband is a fine-looking fellow, with some means and a liking for athletics. But he has never been thrown on his own resources and therefore has not as yet displayed any business ability. Papa Lincoln was furious when his daughter returned home



MRS. JESSIE LINCOLN BECKWITH.

and told of her marriage. He sternly refused to give her his blessing and the bride left home and is now living with her husband at Mount Pleasant, Iowa. She is deeply in love with Mr. Beckwith and will remain with him, while hoping that her father's heart will relent. But the colonel shows no sign of forgiving her.

Commissioner General Powderly of the immigration bureau has received a telegram from Irspector Baldwin in Missis sippi stating that he had secured the arrest of nineteen others of the party of Austrian stave cutters, recently brought

BIG FOOTBALL GAMES HAVE NOW CLOSED.

The Well-Trained Teams Have All Had Their Turns and Battled Manfully-University of Chicago Defeats Michigan-Wisconsin Beats Northwestern

For the All-Western 'Leven.



OOTBALL in the West has what was apparentseason. The big. well-trained football teams of the greater colleges have had their turns, battled manfully and are now prepared to settle down and discuss results leisurely. Football experts are sizing the field up,

and soon will be picking all Western elevens until there will be as many offered up as there are so-called experts. The season has been exceptionally clean as far as rough work by the players themselves is concerned and consequently as far as injuries received. The umpires have as a rule been stricter as regards "piling on" -that most dreaded feature of modern football. The referees have followed the ball so well that it is downed and the men lined up before an opportunity has been afforded for the rough work to creep in. As a result of the season's work every

thing points to Wisconsin's men as Western champions and not even Stagg's pets eare to dispute the claim, despite the wonderful victory over Michigan Thursday by a score of 21 to 12. Wisconsin cinched all claims to the title when her lively. well-trained canvas-backs snowed Northwestern under by a score of 22 to 0 at Evanston Thursday. The West has been unusually weak in

tackles. Holmes, Forrest of Wisconsin, Sweeney of Illinois, Lockwood of Michigan, Mortimer and Webb of Chicago and Rheighans of Lake Forest would certainly be candidates for the all-Western team. Of these, Holmes, for his work against Chicago, Minnesota and Northwestern in making holds, in defense work generally, is perhaps the first choice, with Sweeney a close second. The cares of captain have weighed on Sweeney considerably, but in all he has more than held his own in the big games played, with the possible exception of the Indian match.

On the ends, the work of Michigan's and Wisconsin's ends, Dean and Anderson and Teetzel and Bennett, and that of Hamil, mark them as candidates. Sickles of Lake Forest, for a light man, has been much in the play, and on a heavier team might be considered. Of these, Bennett, Teetzel and Hamil and Dean would be the four to choose from. Hamil's work in the Michigan game in following kicks marks him something of a favorite. Teetzel's work in driving the play in would mark him as a favorite. Bennett for experience and Hamil and Dean interchangeably seem to be the choice.

Behind the line, Jelver, Hunter, Schuler and Clarke are for quarter. Felver, barring two very bad fumbles in the Chicago game, should have first choice. Hunter, a good tackler, is too slow in running the game. Clarke fumbles badly, though he got over the fault in the Michigan game. Felver is perhaps the favorite for general, hard, heady work, and the fact that he can be used as a full.

For the backs, Herschberger, O'Dea, Gardiner, Peele, Johnston and Jackson of Lake Forest are perhaps the cream. Herschberger is the choice for full. Not only can he punt, but in the interference, in line plunging and place kicking he would overshadow O'Dea, who is never in the play except to kick. For halves, Peele and Jackson would make an extremely strong pair.

Northwestern, losing to Chicago and Visconsin by big scores, is out of the race. Michigan's defeat by Chicago, overawed by the mighty opposing full-back, vielded all claims in her only big game of the season. Poor Illinois, who was forced to compete for championship honors before her team had reached the climax of development, was put out of the showing early vhen Chicago ran her d Next to Wisconsin, Chicago has fairly won the right to stand a good second. After her Michigan and Illinois must dispute for the honors of their place, with the advantages in Michigan's favor, because of cleaner, harder, all-around work to the last in the face of certain defeat. After Illinois must be placed Northwestern, with her beefy eleven, with Oberlin following because of her showing against Michigan, and Purdue and Minnesota at the tail end of the procession.

FIRST BLASTS OF WINTER.

Snow Storm of Great Severity Sweeps Over Nebraska.

A snowstorm of great severity swept over Nebraska Thursday night. weather was mild all day, with a drizzling Toward evening the mercury dropped to almost zero and a gale from the northwest swept the fine particles of snow in every direction. Not a great quantity of snow fell, but what there was piled in huge drifts, impeding all kinds of

In the extreme western part of the State a regular blizzard prevailed, and great damage is threatened to stock interests. This is due to the fact that the grass is covered with a hard conting of ice, through which it will be quite difficult for

cattle to break in order to secure food. The great damage from the storm comes from the menace to the stock interests. The many thousand sheep being fed in the State are in particular danger. Still, as long as the herds are housed, which is the case with most of the large bunches, great damage will not occur. The open range is the place where the greatest loss will be certain.

Special Treasury Agent Converse J. Smith at Boston has received word from Special Employe Bunn, stationed on the unadian border, that he has seized at Eastport, Me., a small schooner with a cargo of twenty-five boxes of tin plate

that had been smuggled into port. Dr. Abrahamovics, first vice-president of the lower house of the Austrian reichsrath, has been elected president to succeed Dr. Fatherin, who resigned Oct. 26. Abrahamovics has acted as president ever since, but has been unable to keep order

in the chamber.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other dis-

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kid-Unnealthy urine from unnealthy kin-meys is the chief cause of bladder troub-tes. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doc-tored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in rare cases. It is situated back of and very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The arrent is easily made and treat sort. The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indi-cates kidney or bladder trouble. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder remedit is soon Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder remedy is soon realized. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention THE MID-DLEVILLE SUN and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guar. Y. The proprietors of this paper guar autee the genuineness of this offer.

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There is every reason to believe that the Hawaiian annexation treaty will be confirmed by action of the senate very soon after congress meets.

Advices from China confirm those of some weeks ago which indicated that the gold standard is likely to be adopted by that government as soon as practica-

The adage, "Joy never kills," was disproved when a New York woman who believed her husband to be dead fell into his arms and expired when he returned home.

The Canadian proposition in favor of closer relations between the United States and Canada is another evidence that the protests against our tariff were merely a "bluff."

The decision of the supreme court of Indiana, that a wife may at any time sue for and recever money lost by her husband gambling, is in line with common sense and decency, and if it isn't a good law everywhere it sught to be.

That international arbitration is a good thing few will deny, but those who believe that the existence of an arbitration treaty between nations would cause them to arbitrate questions over which they would otherwise fight, must have read history very carelessly.

Congress, when it meets next week, will find a very gratitying showing for the first four months of the new tariff law. Its earnings during the first four months have exceeded by several millions of dollars the earnings of the corresponding four months of the Wilson law; its November earnings reached \$25,000,000, which is more than 25 per cent. in excess of the November earnings in the first year of the Wilson law.

The reply of Assistant Secretary Day to the communications of the Spanish government, the subject of American filibusterers for Cuba, shows that eight vessels have been employed in this work, cruising over 75,000 miles in their police duties, capturing seven vessels engaged in that work, and breaking up a number of expeditions which were intended to operate from our ports in violation of our neutrality

The November exportation of wheat has been nearly fifty per cent. larger than during last year, and the shipments of last week from the Atlantic ports are the largest recorded in any week for many years, if not at any time in the history of the country. The actual exports of wheat from all ports for the crop year thus far has been, in round numbers, a hundred million bushels. When the increase in prices is taken into consideration also it will be seen that the farmers are getting a very large sum of money for their wheat product this year-far in excess of that in many preceding years. The exportations of corn are also increasing, those for November being nearly a million bushels in excess of November of last year.

The frontispiece of the American Monthly Review of Reviews for December is a reproduction of the remarkable painting, "The Raising of Lazarus," Be it further painting, "The Raising of Landstone the work of the young American negro artist, Mr. Henry O. Tanner. This painting has been purchased by the French government for the Luxembourg gallery. On sale at the News

A COMPANION FOR ALL AGES.

A gentleman who used to read The Youth's Companion when a boy, and reads it with the same interest now that he is a middle-aged man, was asked the other day if he had not outgrown The Companion. "I don't be lieve," said he "that I can ever outgrow it. I find in it not only the cheery, hopeful spirit of youth, but the wisdom and experience of age. I like it just as much as when I was a boy, though perhaps in a different way. that it is the same Youth's Companion with which I grew up, for my boys and girls like it as well as ever I did. It is

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THE STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCI-

The forty-seventh annual meeting of the Michigan State Teachers' associa-tion to be held at Lansing, Dec. 28, 29 and 30, promises to be the best in the history of the association, and is of un-

history of the association, and is of unusual interest to rural school teachers. A large part of the program of the general sessions will be devoted to The Report of the Committee of Twelve, which deals with the rural school duestion in all its phases—a report which will doubtless rank with the reports of the committees of Ten and Fifteen. The whole program indicates the trend of educational endeavor to be towards. of educational endeavor to be towards the improvement and advancement of rural schools. A program more de-voted to the work of the district teacher has never been prepared for the state association, and there should be at least we feel that Barry Co. should be triesed by at least 50 district teachers in attendazee, and we feel that Barry Co. should be represented by at least 50 teachers. The whole trip need cost no Barry Co. teacher over four or five dollars, and will be worth twenty-five dollars to all that attend.

On Tuesday evening, Bishop Vincent will give his soul stirring address, Tom and His Teachers." President Hutchins of the University speaks Wednesday evening. Arrangements are being made for a most unique and complete reception in the capitol, folcomplete reception in the capitol, following the lecture on Wednesday evening. The governor, the justices of the supreme court and all other state efficials will keep "open house from 8:30 to 11 o'clock p. m., and will be pleased to receive the teachers of Michigan in their respective offices. Persons are to be in each deputtment to explain the be in each department to explain the work of each room—a practical and striking lesson in civil government.
With reference to board and room,

please note the following: The church organizations of Lansing have consented to board and room teachers during the association for one dollar a day. Meals will be served in the dining rooms of the churches, the church parlors will be open for reception rooms, the toilet rooms are convenient, and lodging in private houses near the churches are all provided for one dollar a day. All church organizations can accommodate 100 or more teachers, permitting the use of their spacious parlors for headquarters. Special arrangements will be made for delegations of teachers

from any city or county providing arrangements are made before the meeting. This plan gives the pleasures of social intercourse in the reception rooms and dining halls, and the quietness of home for rest at night.

How many Barry Co. teachers will go? We should have at least 50. All teachers who wish accommodations provided for them will please notify me postal or in person as early as Dec. that I may secure accommodations definitely in advance. fare from Hastings and return will be about \$1.25; this with 21 days' board, The railroad and the membership fee of 50c for ladies and \$1.00 for gentlemen, will bring the expenses of every Barry Co. teacher within \$4 or \$5.

Tickets for the evening lectures are issued free of charge to members of the association. May I not hear from at

least fifty teachers before Dec. 15?
There will be something for every body and inspiration for all. Let us make the association feel that Barry Co. is a factor in the state educational work, and let Lansing know that we are coming.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the universe, to remove by death our brother, John E. Gogle, and by reason of such affliction our lodge loses an honored member; and the widow and children of our brother are bereft of a loving husband and father; therefore he it.

and father; therefore be it

Resolved, That as a lodge we sincerely mourn his loss. We love and honor his memory for the spirit of true knighthoud manifested during the long struggle with the dread disease which

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the widow of deceased, and that they be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN.

Dated Nov. 17, 1897. H. E. HENDRICK, L. BROUGHTON,

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Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, SS. At a sessition of the Probate Court for the County of Barry, hidden at the Probate Office, in the city of Hastiffs, in said county on Tuesday, the 16th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and rivety-saven. rinety-seven.
Present, JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Pro

Present JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Probate:

Present JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Probate:

In the matter of the estate of Amasa G. Stimson deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly vorified of Hanuah Stimson, widow of said deceased praying that a certain instrument now on file in said court purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased may be admitted to probate and Francis M. Stimson or some other scitable person be appointed executor thereof.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, the 13th day of December, A. D. 1897, at 10° clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said County, then to be holden at the probate office, in the city of Hastings, in said county, and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the MIDDLEVILLE SUN, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

[Ames B. Mills, Maggie J. Hughes, Probate Register. 46-4]

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, 185,

COUNTY OF BARRY, 185,

At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Barry, holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Hastings, in said county on Monday, the 8th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Probate:

Intervent, JAMES B. MILLS, Judge of Probate:
In the matter of the estate of Frederick Kepkey, deceased.
Now comes into court Hannah Morgan, executrix of said estate praying that her final account this day filed may be heard and allowed and she be discharged from said trust.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Friday, the 3d day of December, A. D., 1897, at 19 o'clock in the forenour, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the city of Hastings, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner may not be granted. And it is further ordered, that said petition and the bearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Middleville Sun, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Barry, once in each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

(A TRUE COPY)

JAMES B. MILLS, hearing. (A TRUE COPY) MAGGIE J. HUGHES, Probate Register.

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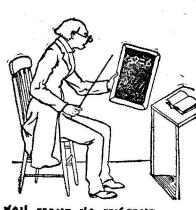
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1897.

Local Happenings. />>>>>>>>>>>>

Attend the concert tonight. December fashion books at the News

Is the lecture course committee dead

or only sleeping? As usual Mrs. Mary Paul was the first to pay taxes.

Hear Paul P. Davis, the noted elocutionist, this evening.

Chet Cisler has moved onto his farm just east of the village.

Neal Russell now occupies Chet Cisler's house on State street. Mrs. T. J. Bush of Hastings, is the guest of Mrs. R. T. French.

Thanksgiving will be remembered as a cloudy, rainy but mild day.

Leave orders now at the News Stand for the Christmas Horseman.

I. N. Hubbard recently lost his valuable stallion, "Young America." All Modern Woodmen please remem-

ber that the assessment is now due. The melodious voice of a chimney sweep was heard in the village, yes

Regular communication of the F. & A. M. lodge and election of officers next Tuesday evening.

For every dozen cabinets, one extra mounted on large card, at Pinney's during the holiday trade.

Teachers, read the notice of the State Teachers' association in the school column elsewhere in this issue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. David T. Paulson, No. 426 East Bridge street, Grand Rapids, Nov. 25, 2 daughter.

Ed. Tolhurst has exchanged his farm southwest of the village for Mr. Barlow's draying business at Hasting.

Read the advs. in THE SUN and patronize the advertisers. They invite your trade and will treat you right.

Any person who is not now a sub-scriber to THE SUN, can, by subscrib-ing now, get it until Jan. 1, 1899 for one

R. T. Huff of Gran

Township Treasurer G. E. Gardner will receive taxes at the store from 9 ϵ . m. to 4 p. m. each day on and after December 1.

Read the new ad of Dr. William Schad, in this issue. The doctor will be at Aubil's livery barn on Saturday

of each week. All members of the K. O. T. M. lodge are requested to be present next Monday evening as there are candi-

dates to be initiated. You must appreciate the big bargains in furniture if you would see the goods. Must be sold at some price. Young & Chaffee, 94-100 Ottawa street, Grand

Rapids. The J. E. Ackerson Harness Co. have bills out announcing the continuance for thirty days of their special cut rate sale. A fine opportunity to purchase Christmas presents.

A magazine or newspaper makes the nicest kind of a Christmas present. It reminds your friend of a kindness many times during the year. Subscribe for them at the SUN office at reduced

An exchange says that recently upon the death of a delinquent subscriber the postmaster returned the paper to the publisher marked, "Deceased. Use asbestos wrapper and change the address,

G. A. Munch, M.D., the noted specials ist has placed an advertisement with us. The inducements offered are surely fair and he needs no other recommend. Read the advertisement "Pay When Cured."

Mrs. Mary Paull was very agreeably surprised Wednesday evening, Nov. 24, by twenty of her neighbors, who walked

into her home carrying various parcels of eatables, which gave her a pleasant Thanksgiving. Nearly every for lack of space and time to set the

type, to cut out some of the less important items from our correspondents. We want all the news and especially that of general interest. Miss Maud Olmstead entertained about twenty-five of her friends Thanks

giving evening. The time was spent with music, dancing, games and a sumptuous supper, for which her home, the St. James hotel, is famous. W. D. Gardner & Sons, H. E. Hen-

W. D. Gardner & Sons, H. E. Hendrick, the J. E. Ackerson Harness Co., K. of P. lodge of this village, and Dr. William Schad of Corning, are among those who have been supplied with printed stationery from the SUN office this week this week.

One of Aubil's livery teams got the start of their driver, Elmer Bennett, on a lively run yesterday noon. He managed to steer them clear of the rigs through town and miraculously escaped serious damage to driver and

The Congregational choir gave a concert, interspersed with readings by local talent, Sunday evening to a well-filled house. The members of the choir are entitled to much credit for their efforts in the musical line, and under their efficient instructor, Prof. Harris, show marked improvement. The elocutionary part of the program was appropriate for the occasion and excellently rendered.

Crescent lodge No. 85, K. of P.

Crescent lodge No. 85, K. of P., elected the following officers last evening for the ensuing year:
C. C.—M. A. Coykendall.
V. C.—P. H. Richards.
Prelate—W. E. Roach.
M. of W.—M. A. Dietrich.
M. at A.—J. D. Dietrich.
M. of F. and K. of R. & S.—Aaron Sherk.

Sherk. M. of E.—J. A. Caldwell. M. of E.—J. A. Calquell.
I. G.—Wm. McConnell.
O. G.—Frank Andrus.
Grand Lodge Rep.—W. K. Liebler.
Alternate Grand Lodge Rep.—M. A.

Coykendall.
Trustee for 3 Years—E. M. Brown.

As the long winter evenings are comng on you will want more papers to read. Any paper or magazine you may wish we can get for you in connection with The Sun at a reduced rate, and

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Mrs. John Rouse is visiting in Dut-

C. A. Bandfield is in Detroit on busi-

Theodore Jamison is in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Aaron Clark was in Grand Rap-

ds, Saturday. George Shafer has been on the sick list this week.

A. O. Wilkinson is visiting his brother at Niles.

There is no material change in Rev. B. Moore's condition. F. W. Walker of Hastings, was in

the village, Monday. Mrs. C. J. Mallette is in Grand Rapids on business today.

Charles Bishop has gone to the Sol diers' home for the winter. H. B. Hanlon returned from Bay

Mills, last week Wednesday. Henry Wesley returned Tuesday from a business trip to Detroit.

Mrs. R. T. French has about recovered from her recent illness. Miss Loia Smith of North Irving, is ill at the home of R. T. French.

Agnes Laden returned Monday from a few days' visit in Grand Rapids. Guy DeGolia is clerking for M. F. Dowling during the holiday trade.

Mrs. Isaac Gibbs, who has been sick for a long time, is now confined to her bed.

Mrs. F. A. Colvin, who was sick the fore part of the week, has nearly recovered. B. L. Johnson returned Tuesday from a few days' visit with relatives in

Lansing. Samuel Carlisle and wife were guests

of Mr. and Mrs. John Young of Orangeville, Sunday. Mrs. J. R. Cook of Sturgis, expects

to visit relatives and friends in the vil-lage next week: Neal Patterson of Grand Rapids, was calling on friends in the village the first of the week.

Miss Clara Sylvester of Nashville, has been a guest at Dr. G. W. Matte-

R. T. Huff of Grand Rapids was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. Vangilder, over Thanksgiving.

Roy Hooper is spending a week with his brother in Grand Rapids and at his old home, Grandville.

O. M. Hullinger and family were in attendance at a party held in Nashville, Thanksgiving evening.

Rev W. A. Biss was in Big Rapids wer Sunday where he preached the funeral sermon of J. S. Evans.

Dr. Nelson Abbott and Miss Nina Downing of Middleville were in town a few days this week .- Nashville News. Samuel Allen and Asher Turner returned Tuesday evening from their deer hunt. Their party captured seven head.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coykendall of Saranac, have been spending a couple terms. Inquire at SUN office. of weeks with the latter's father, Eli Leslie.

A. F. Strickler, who has been the guest for a number of days of Mise Minnie Dietrich, returned to Ann

Arbor, Monday.

Miss Carrie I. Hall, preceptress of the Otsego schools, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. G. D. Cooley, the latter part of last week.

John Woolston, who has been a severe sufferer with rheumatism since last spring is no better and only able to sit up part of the time. Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Parkhurst and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hendrick attended

the opera at Grand Rapids last evening, the play being "Mary Stuart" played by Modjeska. Miss Mattie Ames of Grand Rapids,

is the guest of her cousins, Misses Lida and Ethel Russell. They will entertain a company of young people in honor of their guest, Friday evening.

W. W. Millard and wife go to Sand Hill, Wayne Co., this week to spend the winter with their two daughters there and son in Detroit. Our old fice. Young & Chaffee, 94-100 Ottawa friend, Mr. M., has been a continuous subscriber to this paper since its first issue with the exception of one year.

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C. A. Bandfield, our hustling stock buyer, has during the past four weeks shipped 180,000 pounds of hogs, the last shipment went last evening and consisted of five decks. While there are other dealers in the field, Mr. Bandfield seems to have the lead by a large majority. To our splendid creamery is due a portion of the credit, for without that instution there would not be more than half the present output of hogs from this locality, and when the farmer is figuring up the income from the dairy he should not forget to credit a liberal portion from the hog receipts.

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MARRIED.

RUNNELS—CISLER—Mr. Ernest Runnels of Leighton and Miss Jessie Cisler of Middleville were united in mar-riage at the Baptist parsonage Wednesday evening, November 24.
After the ceremony Pastor W. A.
Biss, on behalf of her many friends in the factory, presented her with a set of silver knives and forks; also a letter written by Mr. Webb expressive of the high esteem in which she was held.

STOWELL-POFF-At the residence of the bride's parents in Rutland on Nov. 24, by R. D. Freeman, Mr. Fred Stowell of Hastings and Miss Dora A.

GAYLORD - STEWART -At the residence of the bride's parents in south-west Thornapple on Nov. 25, by R. D. Freeman, Mr. Stewart Gaylord of Highland, Ohio, and Miss Elfie

CHASE-WILCOX-At the residence of the bride's parents in Irving on Nov. 25, by R. D. Freeman, Mr. William Chase of Coats Grove and Miss Mabel J. Wilcox.

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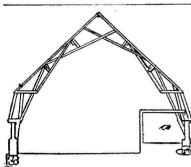
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A correspondent of an agricultural exchange asks for a plan of a hip roof, without purline plates or support at the hip. He is assured, however, that it is impracticable to make such a roof without some substitute for the purlines, unless the arch is used in the framing of the roof. A common form of hip roof is here shown. It is a modification of the arch, which is the strongest form of roof made. The



FRAME FOR BARN WITHOUT BEAMS.
(a) Stable.

form here shown is as near the arch as can be easily made, and the braces make it exceedingly strong. It is quite practicable to join the bottom of the outside posts by one stringer from the bottom to the peak of the roof, but it would lack the stiffness and strength of this form.

Fences.

Good fences are cheapest in the end. What is a good fence and how may fencing material be made to cost less? Timber is too valuable; so is land. We must run straight lines with wire or wood. If live posts can be employed the great bugbear in cost will be overcome by degrees. Nobody who has used growing trees for stretching wire upon wants to go back to posts that are dead and decaying. A few young trees set in the fence line each year where older ones show a tendency to die or need cutting will keep the fence up cheaply. Nail a board to each tree to tack the wire to so it won't grow into the bark. If the trees are solid they need not be nearer together than forty feet, light stakes being driven midway are sag preventives.

An Easily Made Crate.

Where one has access to a mill, and can procure an abundance of inchsquare edgings, he can make a dozen or more crates very easily, after the manner shown in the sketch. A few wire nails, secure the corners. Let



these be two and a half inches long. The bottom may be of board or of slats, as preferred. A board cover can also be fitted to the top, if needed. Such a contrivance makes an exceedingly strong and convenient crate, well adapted for gathering the potato and apple crops.-American Agriculturist.

Trees About Buildings.

The first consideration in planting trees about farm buildings is to shelter need of shade in summer is generally recognized, but too many planters overto protect from winter winds, and to give a little color to the monotony of the winter landscapes. Evergreens produce an effect in ornamental planting not to be obtained in any other

Cheap Husking Peg.

Bend a piece of wire the size of a bucket bale as shown in the engraving. Turn up one end slightly and flatten it somewhat. Have the loop HUSKING PEG. just large enough to slip over the second finger and the forward end sufficiently long to project slightly beyond the forefinger.

Grain in the Orchard.

Do not sow grain in the orchard, especially wheat or rye. Oats may be sown after the orchard is well grown, and pastured down with hogs, with but little bad effect. Never under any circumstances allow timothy, red-top, blue grass, or any other grass that forms a tough sod, in an orchard. When the orchard is not in cultivation it should be in clover; hogs may be pastured on the clover.

Pennut Butter.

A new article, known as peanut butter, is said to be on the market. It is made from the oil of the peanut, and bas the flavor of the nut. Like all other products of similar kind, the con-

sumers must be educated to accept it. It is not injurious, and is considered beneficial to some, but it will not take the place of butter from cream very

Make the Farm Richer.

The farmer who grows large crops and does not make his farm richer ev ery year is losing money, even if he derives a profit from the crops. It is not always necessary to buy manure of fertilizers to add to the fertility of the soil. Proper rotation of crops and the use of green manure, plowed under, will accomplish much. It may, how ever, at times be cheaper to purchase fertilizers, but, with a system of rotation, and the growing of clover, the cost of fertilizers will be reduced. When the land becomes richer every year the value of the farm is increased correspondingly.

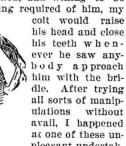
To Renew an Old Orchard. Renew an old orchard by plowing in the fall and applying a top dressing of barnyard manure, giving each tree about two big wagonloads. In fact, spread it over the entire surface three or four inches deep, and you will be astonished at the results. Your trees will take on a new lease of life, make a good growth, with healthy dark green foliage in the place of the sickly light green of previous years. You will get large crops of excellent fruit. The trouble with most old orchards is that they are hide-bound in grass and starved to death for want of food.

Animals Need Lime.

Lime is necessary for animals as well as for the land, but lime salts exist in the food, predominating in some kinds more than in others. Corn and wheat grains contain but a small proportion of lime, hence young animals, or dams that care to produce young, require other foods than grain. Clover hay contains over twenty times as much lime as corn, while bran is also rich in mineral elements. Leg weakness, slow growth and lack of vigor are frequently the result of foods containing but little lime.

Breaking a Colt to Take the Bit.

Although of uncommonly gentle and doclle disposition, and willing to be taught anything required of him, my



his head and close his teeth when ever he saw anybody approach him with the bridle. After trying all sorts of manipwithout avail, I happened at one of these un pleasant undertak-

TAKING THE BIT. ings to put my hand in the corner of his mouth, laying the ends of my fingers on his tongue. This induced him to open his mouth, and, improving this opportunity, I slipped the bit into his mouth. After that, whenever the colt had to be bridled, I proceeded as the illustration explains. Hold the bridle with the right hand up to its proper place for bridling; let the left hand enter his mouth, while the bit rests on the back of the hand near the wrist, and as soon as his mouth opens draw the bit gently into his mouth by slipping the head-stall over his head. A few such operations, not more than four or five, broke my colt completely; he would not only take e bit willingly, but he would come toward you with his mouth wide open ready to be bridled.-G. C. Greiner, in Farm and Fireside.

Vield of a Mendow.

From recent experiments it appears that a meadow will yield about four times as much feed in bulk if made into hay as it will if pastured. But, as it is well known that the young, tender grass of the often-cropped pasture is more nutritious than the older and them from sun, wind and storm. The tougher hay, it was found by a careful test that the advantage in nutrients. digestibility and freedom from cost of look the equal necessity of evergreens harvesting, housing and feeding of pastured fields, will nearly balance the greater yield of hay fields, except on very high-priced lands.

Poultry Notes.

Be sure to feed in a cleanly manner. In cold weather feed a warm break fast.

Extra good poultry always command the best price.

A varied diet helps materially the general health of fowls.

Do not use artificial stimulants; with poultry the reaction is harmful.

Poultry droppings contain all of the fertilizing material in a solid form. Buckwheat can be used to good ad-

vantage in making up a variety. Keep the fowls away from the barns stables and carriage houses; in such

places they are a nuisance. Sunflower and sorghum seed can al ways be fed without threshing.

So long as a good variety of food can be given, very little stimulants are needed.

As a general rule, young chicks of a fancy breed should not be allowed to go on the roosts until they are three months old.

Pekin ducks will grow to a market able size and attain a greater weight in a given time than ducklings of any other breed.

VOICE OF THE PRESS. but the truth lives on. We may not all

REV. DR. TALMAGE ON RELIGIOUS NEWSPAPERS.

If They Have the Right Spirit, He Says, Each One Does More Good than Fifty Pulpits-Editorial Responsibility Is Very Great.

Our Washington Pulpit.

In a previous discourse Dr. Talmage having shown the opportunities of the secular press, in this discourse speaks of the mission of religious newspapers. His text is, "Then I turned and lifted up mine eyes and looked, and behold a flying roll" (Zachariah v., 1).

In a dream the prophet saw something rolled up advancing through the heavens. It contained a divine message. It moved swiftly, as on wings. It had much to do with the destiny of nations. But if you will look up you will see many flying rolls. They come with great speed and have messages for all the earth. The flying rolls of this century are the newspa pers. They carry messages human and divine. They will decide the destiny of the hemispheres.

There are in the United States about 20,000 newspapers. The religious news paper of which I am the editor was born nineteen years ago, but born again seven years ago. In this brief time it has grown to about 200,000 circulation, and, by the ordinary rule of calculating the readers of a paper, it has about 1,000,000 readers Our country was blest with many relig ious journals, edited by consecrated men while their contributors were the ablest and best of all professions and occupa tions. Some of those journals for half a century had been dropping their benedictions upon the nation, and they live on and will continue to live on until there will be no more use for their mission, the world itself having become a flying roll on the tempests of the last day, going out of existence. There will be no more use for such agencies when the world ceases because, in the spiritual state, we shall have such velocity that we can gather for ourselves all the news of heaven, or, seeing some world in conflagration, may go ourselves in an instant to examine per sonally the scene of disaster.

Was there room for another religious journal in this land, already favored with the highest style of religious journalism? Oh, yes, if undenominational, plenty of Nothing can ever take the place of the denominational newspaper. When the millennium comes in, it will find as many denominations as there are now. People, according to their temperaments, will always prefer this or that form of church government, this or that style of worship You might as well ask us all to live in one house as to ask us all to worship in one denomination or to abolish the regi ments of an army in order to make then

Denominational Papers.

Each denomination must have its own journal, set apart especially to present the charities, explain the work and forward the interests of that particular sect. The leath of one denominational journal is a calamity to all the other denominations would almost feel that a great misfortune had happened me if The Christian Intelligencer of the Reformed church (my mother church) did not come to my house every week, for I was brought up on it and it has become a household necessity Such a denominational journal had better be edited by some one who rocked in the cradle of that church and, ordained at her altars, having become venerable in her service, sits spectacled and wise and, with neart full of sacred memories, addresses the living of to-day. In the most sacred crypt of our memory stands the statue of the religious editors Abel Stevens and Joshua Leavitt and the royal family of the Primes, Irenaeus and Eusebius, while Thers linger on the banks of the Jordan, where they will not have long to wait for Elijah's chariot, and when they go up, if we still be sitting at our editorial desks we will cry out in the memorable words. "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and the horsemen thereof!"

But, then, there are great movements in which all denominations wish to join and we want more undenominationa newspapers to marshal and advance and inspire such movements. Yet such jour nals have a difficult task, because all Christian men, if they have behaved well in their denominations, for some reason prefer the one of their natural and spiritual nativity and, even looking off upon the general field and attempting wider work, will be apt to look at things through denominational preference and to treat them with a denominational twist.

The Undenominational Press. Undenominational journalism is abso Intely necessary to demonstrate the unity of the Christian world. Wide and desperate attempt is made to show that the re ligion of Jesus Christ is only a battle ground of sects, and the cry has been: "It you want us to accept your religion, agree, gentlemen, as to what the Christian re-ligion really is. This denomination says a few drops of water dripping from the end of the fingers is baptism, and another demands the submergence of the entire body. This one prays with book, and that one makes extemporaneous utterance. The rector of one delivers his ser-mon in a gown, while the backwoods preacher of another sect addresses the people in his shirt sleeves. Some of your denominations have the majestic domi nunt in the service and others spontage ity. Some of you think that from all eternity some were predestinated to be save and that from all eternity others were Now, it is the business of doomed." Young Men's Christian Associations and tract societies and Sunday school unions and pronounced undenominational journals to show the falsity of the charge that we are fighting among ourselves by gathering all Christian denominations on one platform or launching the united sentiment of all Christendom from one style

of religious printing press. Unity, complete unity! Never was any other army on earth so thoroughly united under one flag and inspired by one senti ment and led by one commander as is the church militant. Christ commands all the troops of all denominations of Christians, and they are going to shout together in the final victory when the whole world is redeemed.

But we have in all our denominations got tired of trying to make other people think as we do on all points. The heresy hunters in all denominations are nearly all dead, thank God, and we are learning that when men get wrong in their faith instead of martyrizing them by arraign ment we do better to wait for the natural roll of years to remove them. Men die, strength and oneness of purpose, and that,

agree as to the number of teeth in one jawbone with which Samson slew the Philistines, or agree as to what was the exact color of the foxes which he set or burn up the corn shocks, but, or

the vitals of religion, we all agree.

If we could call into one great conven tion the 645,566 Episcopalians, the 1,420, 905 Lutherans, the 1,460,346 Presbyte-rians, the 4,153,857 Baptists, the 5,653,-289 Methodists, putting unto them the following questions, we would get unanimous answer in the affirmative: Do you believe in a God, good, holy, just, omnipotent? Do you believe in Jesus Christ as a Saviour? Do you believe in the convicting, converting and sanctifying pow-er of the Holy Ghost? Do you believe that the gospel is going to conquer all nations? If you should put these ques-tions to those assembled millions on millions, while there would not be a solitary negative, there would be an aye, aye, aye, loud enough to make the foundations of the earth tremble and the arches of the heavens resound. Let there be platforms, let there be great occasions, let there be undenominational printing presses to thunder forth the unity of all Christen-dom. One Lord. One faith. One bap-tism. One God and Father. One Jesus Christ. One cross. One heaven.

So also there is room for a religious ournal that stands for liberty as against all oppression. Civil liberty. Political liberty. Religious liberty.

Old Fashionable Evangelism. Again, on this seventh anniversary I ay there is room for a religious paper charged with old-fashioned evangelism. Other styles of religious newspapers may do for advertising purposes or for the presentation of able essays on elaborate themes, but if this world is ever brought to God it will be through unqualified, unadulterated, unmixed, unmistakable evangelism. It was astounding that the Lord Almighty should have gone into great bereavement, submitting to the loss of his only Son, that Son stepping off the doorsill of heaven into a darkness and an abysm that no plummet has ever yet been able to fathom, and through that funeral of the heavens life is offered to our world. But how to get the tidings to all people and in such an attractive way that they will take hold of them is the absorbing question. The human voice can travel only a few feet away, and the world wants something further and wider reaching, and that is the newspaper press, and as the secular press must necessarily give

An Optimistic Press.

itself chiefly to secular affairs let the

religious newspaper give itself to the pres-

ent and everlasting salvation of all who

can read or, if not able to read, have ears

to hear others read. If there be an op-

portunity higher, deeper, grander, than

that offered to newspaper evangelism, name it and guide us to it, that we may

see its altars, its pillars, its domes, its

Again, on this seventh anniversary of a religious publication I notice that there is an especial mission for a religious journal truthfully optimistic. The most optimistic book I know of is the Bible, and its most impressive authors were all optimists. David an optimist. Paul an optimist. St. John an optimist. Our blessed Lord an optimist. I cannot look upon a desert but I am by the old book reminded that it will "blossom like as the rose." I cannot in a menagerie look upon a lion and a leopard but I am reminded that "a little child shall lead them." see a collection of gems in a jeweler's window without thinking of heaven aflash and ablaze and incarnadined and empurpled with all manner of precious stones. I cannot hear a trumpet but I think of that one which shall wake the dead. All the ages of time, bounded on one side by the paradise in which Adam and Eve walked and on the other side by the paradise which St. John saw in apocalyptic vision.

The Scriptures optimistic and their authors optimistic, all religious newspapers ought to be optimistic. Not only should all ministers and all religious editors have their heart right, but their liver right The world has enough trouble of its own without our giving them an extra dose in the shape of religion. This world is going to be saved, and if you do not believe it you are an infidel. None of us wants to get on board a train which, instead of reaching the depot, is surely going down the embankment. All aboard for the millennium! For the most part in a religious journal let the editorials be cheerful and the pictures cheerful. Publish in it more sermons on texts like "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good,' texts like "Out of the depths of hell have I cried unto thee, O Lord."
If any one has anything gloomy to say, let him say it to himself. If he must write it, let him not send it to editorial rooms, but put it in the pigeonhole of his own desk.

Prayers for Religious Papers.

Pray for the religious newspaper of America because of the fact that if they have the right spirit each one does as much good as 5 or 50 or 200 churches. What are the 500 or 5,000 people making up a Sabbath audience compared with the 10,000 or 50,000 or 200,000 that the religious journal addresses? Such journals are pulpits that preach day and night. They reach weekly those who through invalidism or through indifference never enter churches. They reach people in their quietude, when their attention is not distracted as in church by the fine millinery that appeals to the eye or the rustle of attire that attracts the ear. It will always be our duty and our privilege not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but I believe printing press is the chief agency under God to save the world.

Pray also for the religious newspapers f America that they may resist the tations to become acerb, harsh and damn atary of those who think differently from themselves. Pray also for religious journalism that it may be alert-not abreast of the times, but ahead of the times. The secular newspaper gives the secular news and does not pretend to give its 'religious meaning. The religious press ought to put all the events of the day in companies, regiments and brigades and show us in what direction that divinely disciplined host is marching and let us know what victories for God and righteousness they will win. The Christianized printing press is to do in our time on a scale what the battering ram did in olden time on a smaller scale. That old war machine was a stout timber, hung by chains to a beam suported by posts, and many men would lay hold of the stout timber and swing it backward and forward until, getting under full momentum, it would strike into awful demolition the wall besieged. God grant that all of us who have anything to do with the mighty battering ram of our century, the printing press, may be clothed of God with especial

having pulled it back for one mighty assault, we may altogether rush it forward, crushing into everlasting ruin the last wall of opposition and the last fortress of iniquity.

Editorial Responsibility.

And now let all of us who are connect ed with either secular or religious journalism remember that we will be called into final account for every word we write in editorial or reportorial or contributors column, for every type we set, for every press we move and for the style of secular or religious newspaper we patronize or encourage. In Ezekiel's prophecy the angel of God, supposed to be Christ, appears with an inkhorn hung at his side, as an attorney's clerk in olden time had an inkhorn at his side. And I have no doubt the inkhorn will have an important part in the day of judgment, those who have used it well to receive eternal plaudit and those who have misused it to receive condemnation. On that great day of judgment all the

power we have had on earth will be insignificant compared with the power that will pronounce our rapture or our doom and that which might have been considered a joke in the "composing room," cause it humiliated an enemy, will be no joke at all amid the wreck of mountains and seas, and the inkhorn will there tell of all we wrote anonymously and under the impersonality of a newspaper, as well as that which was signed with our own name. But the inkhorn by the side of the angel of the new covenant will speak out and tell of what it had to do with all letters of kindness written, with all emancipation proclamations, with all editorial and reportorial eulogies of the good, with all the messages of salvation to a lost world. Not only the inkhorn which Ezekiel saw, but all the inkhorns will come to judgment. "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God, and the books were opened." Copyright, 1897.

Short Sermons. Bible Societies.-Bible societies are the hands of the Christian churches, giving the bread of life to famishing multitudes. Seventy of these societies are in existence that have given the Bible in seventy-five years to 580,000,-000 of the population of the world .-Rev. Dr. Lee, Presbyterian, Cincinnati,

Equality.-I do not believe that there are any kinds of equality except that opportunities. But there is the equality of giving each man a free and open chance to gain as much as he can. Give them a free race. Outrun if you can. That's fair. To trip him up is unfair.-Rev. M. J. Savage, Unitarian, New York City.

Criminals.-I am frequently asked by prison officials what is the use of my trying to convert these sinners. They tell me these men are hardened beyond all remedy, but I don't believe it. These brethren of ours who have fallen love to hear the sounds of the Gospel trumpet .- Rev. Thomas Edgar, Evangelist, New York City.

The Rebound.—Every man gets out of this world the rebound of what he puts into it. We command God by obeying Him. We get from Him and His world whatsoever we will. Sovereignty over the world was given to man at the beginning. Lost by sin, it was restored by redemption.-Rev. Dr. Roughton, Methodist, Cincinnati, O.

The Wheel.-There are tens of thousands of men and women who five years ago were in the habit of attending church on Sunday who now spend the day riding in the country. As a result of it all the church is confronted with the gravest situation she has faced since the reformation .- Rev. S. D. Mc-Connell, Episcopalian, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Punishment.-We need a sterner administration of law. Robberies accompanied with violence have been so numerous that we may need the methods of Liverpool. For deeds of personal violence there the lash was unsparingly used, accompanied with long terms of imprisonment for the habitual criminal-Bishop Fallows, Enisconalian, Chicago, Ill.

Sunday Evils.—It is a matter of deep public concern, as well as that of the church, how the masses are to be employed who are let loose upon the Sabbath. If they be allowed to be tempted to idleness, vice and dissipation, no day in the calendar of the week will equal it in "impairing health, promoting vice, increasing pauperism, unsettling society," and opening the flood-gates for sin and degradation in general.-Rev. Henry Tesnow, Reformed Episcopalian, Denver, Colo.

Prepared for Emergencies.

He was more than 70 years of age this old soldier, and he walked slowly. feebly along Exchange street, carrying in one hand a huge carpet bag, which looked as if it had seen generations of service. A well-known Buffalo man saw the old soldier.

"Where are you going, my friend?" he asked, kindly.

"I ain't goin' nowhar jest now," was the answer in a troubled, hesitating

"Have you had your breakfast?" was the next question.

"Yaas, I 'et somethin' on the train. I allars carries my feed with me.

"I allars carries a piller with me, too," he said, gaining courage at the sight of a friendly face. "Then I allars know that wharever I be, I'll have a place whar I can lay my head," and the old man pointed to the side of his carpet bag, on which was strapped a small pillow, encased in a slip of white, trimmed with coarse lace.

"Yer see, when I strike a place what I can rest a bit, it's sorter nice to have a piller handy," he said, by way of explantion, as he got on a street car which would take him to his destination, and thanked the Buffalo man for paying his fare.-Buffalo Commercial.

The Duchess d'Uzes, whose escape from the Paris bazaar fire is memore. ble, is exceedingly rich, an accomplished musician and sculptor, an intrepid horsewoman and passionately fond of fox hunting.

HERO OF 1812.

Sole Survivor of the Constitution and Guerriere Fight.

Mayor Strong had a notable visitor recently in the person of Mai. William H. Garland, an ancient mariner, 95 years old, the sole survivor of the great battle between the Constitution and the Guerriere, which was fought on Aug. 19, 1812.

"I remember the battle well." said Maj. Garland, in answer to a question asked by the mayor, "though I was only 10 years old. I was on the Constitution as a 'powder monkey,' and took much pride in the victorywhich was won after a half hour's most daring fighting-as any of the men and officers. Then I was in the fight with the Java four months later, when we served her as we had the Guerriere.

"I know I am the sole surviyor of that crew of the Constitution: and have reason to believe that I am the only survivor of the navy of 1812.

"When Lafayette was here in 1824 I was appointed on his escort by President Monroe. Early in 1826 I accompanied Lafayette to France on the Brandywine.

"I also saw the great Napoleon, and believe I am the only living American who ever had that honor. It was at St. Helena. He spoke to me in good English, and, laying his hand on my head, he said, 'My young man, I hope your life will be a more happy and successful one than mine has been.'

"I knew President Monroe very well, for he was quite intimate with my father, who, like myself, was born and reared in Virginia; and I think I remember him particularly well because of his apple orchard, where I went frequently with other boys, but with his permission, for he was always king to young folks, and used to pick the ripe apples for us. I attended his funeral, as I did that of Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson was a frequent visitor to our house, and I used to enjoy having him talk politics with my father.

"I was honorably discharged from the United States navy in 1834, and went to my home at Hampton," continued Maj. Garland. "When the war broke out in 1861 I was parted from many friends and relatives, for I stood by the old flag, while they went with the South. I came to New York, joined the Fifty-Sixth New York infantry, then the Lincoln cavalry, and afterward the Sixteenth Massachusetts. I was through the war from Bull Run to Appomattox. After the battle of Antietam Gen. McClellan made me a major.

"When the war was over I returned to my home at Hampton, and have lived there since. I am now on my way to attend the anniversary celebration of the victories of the old Ironside fleet, which is to be held the 21st of this month."

Mayor Strong showed great pleasure at meeting the veteran of two wars, who, in spite of several wounds, the loss of the sight of one eye, and a form bowed by years, is able to walk quite well with the aid of a cane and crutch. His hair is white, and his long beard of the same color flows over numerous gold and silver medals that are on his left breast. He is apparently proud of these, though he did not speak of them. But he was quick to exhibit his pension papers and other credentials that verify the story he tells.-New York Herald.

DON'T.

Don't steal another man's good name

even if your own is worn out.

Don't raise your hand against your ausband-broomhandles are plenty.

Don't pattern after the busy little bee. It's the other fellow that eats the honey. Don't mopolize one color in your

make-up. A ruby nose spoils the effect of ruby lips.

Don't bet with your wife, unless you are prepared to lose, whether you win or not. Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.

Sell him for what you can get and let the other fellow look. Don't judge a man by the clothes he

wears. Form your opinion from the vearing apparel of his wife. Don't be a clam. If you must be anything of that kind, be a turtle. Then

you will have a little snap about you. Don't take a bull by the horns. Take him by the tail and then you can bet go without getting some one to help you.

The Pearl Oyster.

The pearl oyster is the animal from which those highly-valued ornaments. pearls, are extracted. The pearl is nothing more than "nacre," deposited in the shape of globular drops instead of being spread over the inner surface of the shell, in which case it is known as Mother-of-Pearl.

These valuable shells are found both in the old and new world. Ceylon is very famous for its pearl fisheries. The fishermen are trained to remain a long time under water, and are assisted in their descent to the bottom of the sea by a heavy weight tied to their feet. They rapidly gather all the pearl oysters in their way into a basket, and when in want of air give a signal to their friends above, who draw them to the surface by a rope. The oysters are then left to putrefy for some weeks, when they are carefully washed, and the pearls extracted.

Three Costly Crowns.

The value of the jewels in the British erown is about \$1,800,000, or a little over one-fifth of the cost of the crown of little Portugal, which is estimated at \$8,500,000. The Sultan of Jahore, however, on state occasions glitters in diamonds, the value of those in his crown and worn on his person being not less than \$12,000,000

A Massachusetts man, 72 years old, was recently sent for two years to the penitentiary for stealing three hens.

Misery by the Wholesale,

Misery by the Wholesale, Is what chronic inactivity of the liver gives rise to. Bile gets into the blood and imparts a yellow tint, the tongue fouls, and so does the breath, sick headaches, pain beneath the right ribs and shoulder blade are felt, the bowels become constipated and the stomach disordered. The proven remedy for this catalogue of evils is Hostetter's. Stomach Bitters, a medicine long and professionally recommended, and sovereign also for chills and fever, nervousness and rheumatism.

Mrs. Fremont, the widow of General Fremont, is living a quiet life in California. The beautiful home where Mrs. Fremont resides was presented to her by the ladies of Los Angeles as a token of their tender regard. Congress also, in recognition of General Fremont's valued services, granted her a pension of \$2,000 a year.

Great Distress

A Combination of Troubles Causes Much Suffering.

BIRD ISLAND, MINN .- "I was troubled with my stomach. Nearly everything I ate would sour and I would belch it up. At times my stomach gave me great distress. My back was lame on account of kidney difficulty. I bought six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla; when I had taken 4 bottles I was cured." NORMAN HICKOK

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Rest and Relief. A piece of machinery run by steam

and overworked will become cranky, creaky and out of gear, owing to some expansion of metal from heat and friction. Stop its work, rub and brighten and let it rest. In a short while it will be restored and will run smoothly. The human system is a machine. Too much work and worry are thrown upon it; too much of the heat of daily cares; too much of the steam of daily business. The nerves become cranky; they are restless, sleepless and twitchy, and neuralgic condition sets in. throws the machine out of gear and it needs rest and treatment to strengthen and restore. St. Jacobs Oil is the one remedy of all, peculiarly adapted to a prompt and sure cure. So many have so freely testified from experience and use to its efficacy in the cure of neuralgia that it passes without saying that t surely cures. It will be a gracious surprise to many after the free use of it to find how easily pain, cares and worry may be lifted, and how smoothly the human machine goes on.

A Unique Calling.

There is a wide-awake young woman in Chicago who is supporting herself quite comfortably by taking care of other people's birds and flowers. She calls herself a "bird and flower attendant," and goes daily from house to house of her patrons, feeding and watering pet birds and cleaning their cages, watering and trimming drawing-room plants and window-boxes, cleansing their leaves, giving them a dose of fertilizer when they need it, and in other ways keeping her feathered and vegetable patients in good condition. She flatters herself that she is the only woman in this country following such a vocation

Trains to the South Resumed. Information comes from the passenger department of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company that all their trains have been resumed, and schedules restored. These include a double daily solid train service from Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis to Nashville, Memphis, Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile, Pensacola and New Orleans. Also a double daily service of Pullman buffet sleeping cars from the Northern cities to Jacksonville, Florida.

Smothered Fires.

When smothered, fire will burn and smolder a long time without giving signs of its existence. Considerably over a year ago the Masonic temple in Providence was burned to the ground. On a recent afternoon the workmen, while tearing down a portion of the wall which was left standing on one side, found quite a fire in progress. They first saw the smoke, and when they had pulled down the wall, the smoldering embers were fanned to life

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The reader of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarri. Half's Catarri Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Half's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting mature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Immense as is the value of the gold taken from the California mines since the discovery of the precious metal there, it could all be contained in a room 40 feet long, 20 feet wide, and

Didn't Agree with Her.

young woman of Worcester, England, who tried eating wax candles to improve her complexion, died of the

Lane's Family Medicine

Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. gently on the liver and kidneys. sick headache. Price 25 and 50c.

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WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK.

I, DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of hat Helitain wrapper. This is the original "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," which has been used in the homes of the mothers of America for over thirty years. LOOK CAREFULLY at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought and has the signature of hat H. Hitchers wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company of which Chas. H. Fletcher is

March 8, 1897;

President.

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on it), the ingredients of which even he does not know. "The Kind You Have Always Bought" BEARS THE FAC-SIMILE SIGNATURE OF

which some druggist may offer you (because he makes a few more pennical



The Kind That Never Failed You.

THIS IS SAVAGERY!

WAR'S AWFUL HORRORS ON THE ISLAND OF CUBA.

Conditions Under Weyler's Inhuman Policy Find No Parallel in Any Stage of Civilization-Hundreds of Thousands of Helpless Starved to Death.

Sacrifice of Human Life.

An investigation conducted by the New York World into the horrible conditions affecting Cuba under the bloody and inhuman policy of Weyler discloses the fact that 75 per cent of the 400,000 helpless women and children whom Weyler forced to live in starvation, misery and disease in the fortified towns—in other words, the reconcentrados-have perished. The spectacle is the worst presented in any age or in any stage of civilization, and unless heroic efforts are made under the more humane Gen. Blanco the epidemic conditions of the small towns will annihilate the remainder of the reconcentrados.

The World shows that one of the best places where the country people were confined was the estate of Central Suia, owned by the American citizen Perfecto Sacoste. The actual figures of the death rate there show an almost unbelievable state of affairs. When the estate was fortified Sacoste allowed only the vigorous men whom he could use during the sugar season to remain. With their families there were 2,000 persons. To-day there are not 500 left. The 1,500 perished of

There was no epidemic. Sacoste planted vegetable gardens for their support, but exactly as in most of the zones of cultivation the insurgents got the produce. The creek banks are absolutely filled with the buried. There is not a square yard of ground about the forts that is not mantel manufacturers at No. 30 on that taken for a grave. Between two slabs thoroughfare. Their third factory was

SWEPT BY FIRE.

London Scourged by a Visitation of

One of the most disastrous fires in Lor don's history since the great fire of 1666 broke out in a large block of buildings lying eastward of Aldersgate street and between that thoroughfare and Red Cross street, just after 1 o'clock Friday afternoon. Over 100 warehouses were destroyed and the loss will probably exceed £3,000,000. The flames were fanned by a strong wind and were fed by highly inflammable stocks of Christmas fancy goods and flimsy dress materials of all descriptions that filled every floor of the six-story buildings in the old street. Consequently the conflagration gained headway with surprising rapidity and was soon far beyond the possibility of being checked by the few engines which were early on the spot.

For four hours and a half the flames had their own way, and it was only after more than a hundred engines had worked for an hour that the chief of the fire brigade sent out the signal that the fire was under control. At 11 o'clock at night the fire was still the scene of great excitement. Fifty engines were playing upor the ruins, and tons of water were pour-

ing into the fiery debris.

Thousands of people tried to penetrate the cordon maintained by a thousand policemen, re-enforcements for whom were hurried up when, soon after 6 o'clock, an increase in the outbreak led Commander Wells to make a requisition for more engines upon the outlying stations. The scene will occupy the fire brigade for several days, especially in view of the grave danger of the collapse of shells of buildings which fall now and again with a loud report.

Hamsell street was the scene of the outbreak of the fire, which was due to an explosion in connection with a gas engine on the premises of Walter Brown & Co.,

semi-panic, the frightened operatives rushing to the roof of the building and

thence crossing to other buildings and so

effecting their escape while the flames

were pouring out of the basement. In

less than a quarter of an hour the flames

had enveloped the adjoining warehouse

was fully alight in less than ten minutes.

houses have been gutted, and an estimate

of the damage done places the amount at

Curiously enough, the territory covered by this fire is in part the same as that

stances. The direction is the same, and

iled while the fire burned what were destroyed then. Since 1666 no fire of so

great destructiveness has visited the Eng-

DR. HOUGHTON'S DEATH.

Noted Pastor of the "Little Church Around the Corner" Is No More.

Rev. George H. Houghton of New York,

pastor of the Church of the Transfigura-tion, better known as the "Little Church Around the Corner," is dead.

In 1848 Dr. Houghton, then an ambi-tious young clergyman, organized the

Church of the Transfiguration, which was

destined to become in after years world-famed as "The Little Church Around the Corner." It has borne that name for

more than a quarter of a century. The circumstances through which the title

was bestowed were as follows:
George Holland, the actor, and father

of E. M. and Joseph Holland, died on Dec. 20, 1876. In arranging for the funcral, Joseph Jefferson and others called upon Rev. Mr. Sabine, pastor of a fash-

ionable church in Madison avenue, and

asked him if he would conduct the fun-eral services. Ascertaining that Holland was an actor, Rev. Mr. Sabine declined to conduct the funeral service, and when

asked by Mr. Jefferson and his compan-

ions if he could tell them where they could

get a clergyman, he remarked that "there

was a little church around the corner

where they do such things. The dead ac-

tor's friends went to that little church and

were received with kindly consideration by Rev. Dr. Houghton. This incident formed a live theme for talk all over the

country, and it established "The Little Church Around the Corner" firmly in the

affections of the public, as well as of the

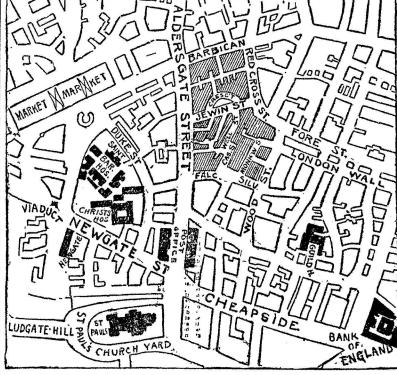
theatrical profession.

iness.'

magnificent than then-were imper-

nearly £5,000,000.

It is officially reported that 150 ware-



MAP OF LONDON IN THE VICINITY OF THE FIRE. [Shade: portion represents the burned district.]

of palm bark for a coffin each miserable crowded with girls when the fire broke skeleton has been buried a few inches out and it was instantly the scene of a under ground.

In the small towns the misery seems to be growing. The register of the priest of Artemisa parish shows a total of 3,000 deaths for a period of 73 years before the war. Since Weyler's infamous "Brando" the deaths have been 5,123.

Seventy-three years of peace cost not and thence they leaped across the street much more than half the lives lost in one to an enormous paper warehouse, which year of Spanish war. And the dead victims of Weyler's hate were not rebels.

At Artemisa deaths continue eight to ten per day. No food is being issued by the authorities, as there is none there. In Madruga during October 422 people died. The town had 3,500 inhabitants. At Guines there is shelter neither for the burned over in 1666. The place of be-troops nor for the non-combutants, and ginning is within 100 yards in both inboth are dying fast. The "reconcentrados" have absolutely nothing to eat. In the same public buildings now vastly that 600 persons died-all presumably

from hunger. In one small house the correspondent found seventy persons. Two dead bodies lish capital. lay upon the earthen floor, uncovered. The packed living ones, most of them seated upon the mud, paid no attention to the dead. Despair and weakness made them

indifferent.

At Trinidad the greater majority of the inhabitants have nothing left to eat. In Ysabel and Cuevitas it is the same. Almost all of Guataro's "reconcentrados" are dead. And in Pinar del Rio the correspondent of a Havana official paper states that "little children scratch with bloody fingers in the ground for the small roots of sweet potatoes, their mothers holding their miserable offspring to sterile

Nor are the reconcentrados the only ones who have perished and are perishing in the horrible war. The Spanish soldiers have died rapidly or have become disabled. As nearly as can be conservatively computed from official figures, little more than half are left alive and well of the 180,000 vigorous peasant lads Spain sent to Cuba. The figures are:

Died in hospitals......32,000 Killed and died on the field......12,000 Sent back to Spain as "inutile"...25,000 Now in hospitals......12,000

Total81,000 Of this enormous number it is improbable that more than 5,000 met death or disability from Cuban bullets, even during the real fighting of the invasion and the six months thereafter. Gen. Maceo estimated for the World that not more than 3,000 Spanish soldiers had fallen in battle. That was in August, 1896. Since then very little fighting has been done.

Sparks from the Wires. The Burlington road has declared

quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. Heavy rains and floods in the south of France have closed all railway communi-

Garrett A. Hobart has resigned from the Joint Traffic Association. His suc-cessor will be appointed at the next meet-

Ex-President Oleveland said to a repre sentative of the press: "The number and heartiness of the congratulations we have received on the birth of our son are so gratefully appreciated that I wish you would convey, through the Associated Press, our thanks to all the kind people who have thus given proof of their friend-

Sudden death balked the plans of eccen-A catboat manned by Andrew Foley, William and Oliver Wells, was upset in a squall in Shinneocck bay, L. I., and all wealth will go to the relatives whom she hated and whom she wanted to cut off.

Better than All of Them.

Mocha coffee, from Yemen in Arabia is reputed to be the best; but the principal supplies are now obtained from Ceylon, Java, the West Indies, Brazil and Central America. No matter where food sours in his stomach, and whose liver is leaden, can't help looking at the world it comes from, every berry of it contains caffeine, which is a slow poison. The more coffee you drink the more your nerves are disordered and your digestion injured. Coffee makes fidgety and wakeful, then you take sedatives to quiet you. A bad business all around. Break it up by using Grain-O instead of coffee. Made from pure grains, it is a true food and body-builder as well as a delightful beverage. Make this change and you will soon cease to realize that you have a nerve in your system. The coming ta-ble drink is Grain-O. Packages 15c. or 25c. each—one-fourth the cost of coffee.

Displaced.

Watts-The displacement of men by machinery has been great in recent

Potts-And it is still going on. Only yesterday I was going across Pennsylvania street and found myself displaced by a bicycle with great precipitancy.-Indianapolis Journal.

Excursions for Homeseekers. On Déc. 7 and 21 the Chicago, Milwau-

see and St. Paul Railway will sell roundtrip excursion tickets from Chicago to great many points in the Western, Southwestern and Northwestern States, both on its own line and elsewhere, at greatly reduced rates. Details as to rates, routes, etc., may be obtained on application to Ticket Agent, 95 Adams street, Chicago.

Going by the Wind.

There is a clock in Brussels which has never been wound up by human hands. It is kept going by the wind.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me large doctor bills.—C. L. Baker, 4228 Regent Sq., Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8, '95. Dissatisfied people are, as a rule, loaf-

Ah, that twinge! Why, you're rheumatic. Seek relief instanter from Glenn's Sulphur Soap. Hill's Hair and Whisker Dye, black or brown, 50c.

The loftiest active volcano is Cotopaxi. It is 18,880 feet high, and its last great eruption was in 1855.

A Missionary Medicine.

isn't clean inside, he is far from Godliness. A constipated sinner is a stench is

the nostrils of the Deity. A man whose

hatefully with jaundiced eye, and con-

juring up evil thoughts in his tortured

brain. Cleanliness of person begets clean-

liness of thought. Cascarets, Candy Ca-

thartic are the missionary medicine which

purifies men's bodies and minds. Pure

fragrant, palatable, mild and positive,

they clean out the intestinal canal, stimp-

late the liver and strengthen the bowels.

Then a man enjoys again a feeling of char-

ity and brotherly love for his fellows and

recommends others to take Cascarets and

Rolling Prisons of Texas.

Texas, according to those who have

driven through the State, has some

queer ways. The climate is said to be

the hottest, coldest, wettest and driest

Convicts work on the roads in this

State. Following the chain gang is a

wagon conveying a big cage, in which

bloodhounds are kept in the daytime.

The dogs, of course, are used to track

escaped prisoners. At night the brutes

are turned out and the convicts sleep

in the cage. The chain gang proces-

sions are seen on the roads summer

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at

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Cleanliness begins within. If a man

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A STITCH IN TIME SAVES NINE.

Heat, sense of tenderness and swelling of a part, are all indications that there is need of instant repair -the stitch in time. Where these symptoms exist on the left or the right side of the womb, disease of the ovary is setting in, and soon there will be, if there is not already established, a discharge, trifling at first, but later copious and irritating. Soon, also, there will be felt dull, dragging pains radiating from

Do not, my sister, let your malady go so far, but those of you who are already suffering in this way should begin at once a course of treatment with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It will restore the organs to their normal con-

In this connection Mrs. E. L. Myers, Quakake, Pa., says: "My ovaries were badly diseased, and for almost a year I suffered with se-

vere burning pains which were almost unendurable, and a dull, heavy pain in the lower portion of my back. If standing I was most relieved with my foot resting on a stool or chair. The doctor told me I would have to take my bed and keep quiet. I had not used half a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before it worked wonders with me. I now owe my health to the Compound. To those who are suffering from diseases peculiar to women, I would say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is just what

Mrs. Pinkham wishes to befriend you, and if you will write her at Lynn, Mass., telling her just how you feel, she will give you the very best advice free of charge. Think what a privilege it is to be able to write to a woman who is learned in all these matters, and willing to advise you without charge.

"Use the Means and Heaven Will Give You the Blessing." Never Neglect A Useful Article Like

SAPOLIO



Some time ago a dressmaker of my acquaintance spoke with me about a mass of disfiguring pimples, very inflamed and angry looking, which had broken out on her face and around the corners of her mouth. She had been poisoned, she said, by biting off the ends of colored sewing silks used in connection with her work. The pimples had increased in size and unsightliness and had become a source of much distress and annoyance. I recommended Ripans Tabules for a trial, and for several weeks she took them three times a day according to directions. At first the Tabules proved to her, by throwing to the surface more pimples than she had originally, that her blood was badly out of order. Persevering in the use of Ripans Tabules the cruption gradually disappeared, and now not a vestige of the disorder remains. A more ardent inderser of Ripans Tabules than she it would now be hard to find. They are worth their weight in gold to any one similarly affected.

A new style pack; containing Ten RIPANS TABULES in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some strug stores—FOR FUYECENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen to the five-cent cartons (191 tabules) can be hed by mail by sending forty-cipit cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL. COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce tirect, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABULES) will be send for two carts.

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Reading club meets with Mrs. Ferguson Wednesday Dec 8, at 2:30 p. m. Program for the afternoon:

CHURCH NOTICES. Evangelical church. Leighton, P. Scheurer, pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. The above services are Carpen.

are German. Young people's services every Sunday evening in the English language. English preaching first Sunday evening of each month.

Sunday evening of each month.

M. E. church, J. C. Dorris, pastor.
Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Subject for the morning, "No Compromise with Sin." Subject for the evening, "The Divine Fire Always
Burning on the Altar." Epworth
League, 6 p. m. Subject, "Conviction
for Sin." Ora Metzgar, leader. Junior
Epworth League at 3 p. m. at the M. E.
personage. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m. Come and worship with
us.

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning topic, "The Tried Word." Bible school at the close of morning service. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Preaching at the prairie school house at 3 p. m., standard time. The third illustrated sermon will be given in the evening. Hymns and pictures will be evening. Hymns and pictures will be placed upon the screen by the use of a stereopticon. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m. Sacred literature class Friday, 7 p. m. Covenant meeting, Saturday, 2 p. m.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject for morning, "A New Commandment." Subject for the evening, "The One Thing to Do." Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Junior C. E., 3:30 p. m. Subject, "Serving Others and Its Rewards." Leader, Ross Armstrong. Y. P. S. C. E., 6 p. m. Subject, "Not to Be Ministered Unto, But to Minister." Leader, Miss Franc Barnes. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7 p. m. Prayer meeting. Monday, 7 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m. A most cordial wel-some to all services.

GENTS ENTERTAIN.

The ladies of the Congregational church and Aid society have prevailed upon their husbands, sons and brothers to serve the supper of the Aid society Dec. 3 at the church parlors from 5 to Dec. 3 at the church parlors from 5 to 7 o'clock and, considering the quality and quantity of the supper, a charge of 15 cents to all will be made. The following eminent gentlemen will have charge of the different departments: Table No. 1, Dr. S. C. Rich, chief waiter; E. F. Blake, M. S. Johnson, associates. Table No. 2, John McQueen, chief waiter; C. A. Bandfield. P. H. Richards, associates. Table No. 3, J. W. Saunders, chief waiter; Chas. Camp-W. Saunders, chief waiter; Chas. Campbell, Will French, associates. Table No. 4, W. K. Liebler, chief waiter; W. J. Hayward, O. M. Hullinger, associates. Table No. 5, Chas. L. McLischy, chief waiter; John L. Broughton, E. D. Mattecon, associates. Matteson, associates. Cashier, R. T. French. Reception committee, Chas. Cook, sr., R. E. Combs, Chas. McQueen, David Brodie, Geo. Dexter, Dr. Matteson, M. F. Jordan, Archie McQueen, M. A. Dietrich, E. W. Shaw, H. L. Moore, S. Campbell, A. Wilcox, J. D. Dietrich, M. M. Hodge, W. D. Gardner, G. E. Gardner, A. M. Gardner, D. Campbell, J. B. Campbell, John Campbell, Aaron Clark, Chas. Spreen, Wm. L. Cobb, F. D. Pratt, Warren Russell, Orlando Thomas, A. A. Dibble, M. F. Dowling, W. Babcock, Chas. Rogers, F. L. Blake, Calvin Barrell, T. D. French, M. L. Matteson, David Matteson, John Cook, F. Heany. Carvers, J. W. Armstrong, M. Resenberg. In charge of cook, F. Heany. Carvers, J. W. Armstrong, M. Resenberg. In charge of cooking department, H. Appleton, A. P. Dibble, Geo. Willson, Walter Babcock, Chas. Brandstetter, J. C. Otto, John Beach, Wm. Coman, Vern Shay, C. E. Stokoe. The Bell Quartet and Messrs. Peeps and Abbott will furnish music during supper. No ladies will be admitted to the kitchen lest some of the secrets of the cuisine might be di-

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Rate of one lowest first-class fare for round trip for above occasion. Date of sale Dec. 16-17-18, 1897. Return limit leaving destination not later than Jan. 7, 1898, inclusive.

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Like a first-class, rattling good story, our friends will be pleased to know that we have decided to "Continue" our Special Cut Price Sale during the entire month of December. Some of our friends were not ready to purchase yet; and believing it to be good business policy to allow all a chance to take advantage of these unmatchable low prices, and besides we are in position to do it-Why? Because we have discovered that the right and only way to do business to the mutual advantage of both seller and buyer is for Spot Cash. No man on earth that does business on the old time and eternity credit method can buy or sell at the same prices that are granted the man that holds out the Coin. And from this minute until Friday Evening, December 31, we shall continue to offer for Coin the best goods at prices that will be hammered and slashed as they never were before.

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We haven't room to quote prices on our immense line, but we will cut the prices even lower than we have during November. Here is a sample:

Our own make double Farm Harness, pure oak leather, XC or Jap trimmings, steel bound hames, extra heavy lines, thong sewed collars, all hand made and every strap, buckle and stitch warranted, worth \$30 of any

man's money, but during this sale or while they last only .. \$23.65 It is a hard nut for competitors to crack, but as Rock Young used to say, "It is no trouble to show goods whe a you've got 'em."

We Have Got 'Em.

In single Harness we have the finest and largest assortment of strictly high grade hand made jobs in western Michigan. We have not room on this circular to give the full list and prices, but we wish to say right here that during this sale we shall cut the price long and deep, and you can't buy a harness anywhere else as cheap as you can here during this sale—and don't you forget it.

Gloves and Mittens.

Right here we wish to earnestly thank the people for the very generous patronage they have seen fit to extend to our new line. It has exceeded anything we ever dreamed of and we promise you that in the future as in the past month we will always give you the best Gloves and Mittens obtainable, at prices always the cheapest. We have actually had to purchase five bills of Gloves and Mittens within the past thirty days, and today we have as fine a line as you will see anywhere.

A good wool knit Mitten, long wrist, per pair......12c Mule skin Gloves or Mittens, per pair......21c An extra heavy wool knit driving Mitten, extra long warm wrist 32c A dandy gent's Mitten, soft oil tanned goat skin, long wool wrist, fleece lined throughout, we sell them for, per pair....320

A fine wool Glove, double knit and fulled extra length wrists, a very fine gent's driving Glove, regular 65c grade, per pair 47c For the boys we have a nice line of both Gloves and Mittens and an inspection will prove to you that we are always the cheapest

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The famous N. Y. Carriage Grease in tin boxes, worth U. S. Axle Grease in round steel boxes worth 10c, now Best hemp Cattle Ropes worth 12te, now only Heavy web Halters with rope tie, formerly 25c, now .. Heavy 5 ring leather Halter, heavy rope tie, fermerly 670 Heavy Sweat Pads, the 35c kind, now 23c 15c each A good Surcingle, stout strap and buckle, worth 25c, now 18c each 38c each 73e each 21c each 4c each 7c each The regular 10c Curry Comb.

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Another new departure. Come in and see how they compare with others. A genuine duck coat, wool lined, regular price \$1.25; For this sale

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Another good duck coat, double breasted, corduroy ulster collar, all wool lining throughout body and sleeves; regular price \$2.50;

For this sale only......1.72

The best duck coat on the market, extra heavy and extra long and extra heavy all wool lining double breasted, heavy corduroy ulster collar; regular price \$3.50; For this sale only......2.48

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A good, durable, square Horse Blanket, strong and warm, formerly \$1, during this sale A first-class, fancy plaid, all wool Blan-

ket, 76x80, square street blanket. 5-A make, warranted worth \$3.25, during cent off.
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13.87 with leather, worth \$19, during this sale only.....

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Before you make your final selections of Christmas Goods for the men folks, come in and see what we offer you; we have got the goods the men folks like, and we will save you money on every purchase. Be sure and come to the right place. A stranger might imagine on first entering town that Middleville was ALL harness stores, but we assure you it is not quite so. Yours for business,

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MIDDLEVILLE, - MICHIGAN.

SUPPLEMENT TO

THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1897.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Nov. 30—Mr. and Mrs. Purcell and daughter, Susan, Sundayed at Mrs. O. S. Kinsey's.

The dance at Kennedy's hall Thanksgiving hight was a grand success in spite of the weather.

J. E. Kennedy has purchased a new upright piano of the Kimball Organ Co. for use in his hall.

Mrs. Will Muchling of Grand Rapids visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Green, Thanksgiving.

Marion Swain was in Grand Rapids, Saturday.

Henry Helrigle has returned from Petoskey.

The bunters, who went north from this place deer hunting, have returned. Henry Brower and Will Ford each claim to have shot the deer, but the only question bothering us is "Who killed the deer?"

Vesta Pratt was home for Thanks-giving.

J. D. Malcolm and Will Stone were in Grand Rapids on legal business, Tuesday.

Maggie Bergy and her mother visited at Mrs. D. Kinsey's, Sunday.

Meda Bergy returned Sunday from her Thanksgiving trip.

The Rev. O. Lash preached in the Evangelical church to a large congregation Sunday evening. Subject, "If Christ Came to Caledonia."

The churches of Caledonia will join in union Christmas exercises.

Miss Williams of Petoskey is sick with the chicken pox at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ed Clark.

C. M. Wise of Grand Rapids was in town Monday.

Mr. Petz of Grand Rapids spent Thanksgiving with friends in Caledonia.

"Rasty" Wright came from Grand Rapids Saturday evening, staid with J. V. Kinsey that night, and Sunday morning went to Freeport to see his best girl and we haven't seen him since.

Jennie Doyle is on the sick list.

NORTH IRVING.

Nov. 30-My! How the wedding bells have been ringing the past week. The echo reached us here.

Poultry dressing has been the work of many of our people of late.

F. Roberts has returned from his visit east.

Mrs. Coulter entertains L. A. S. Thursday, the 9th, at her home.

Preaching service Sunday afternoon.

Miss Beadle was visiting schools around here last week.

Another Thanksgiving has gone. Several "dinners" were eaten here as usual.

Geo. Hubbard's mill is now located on the Kurtz farm.

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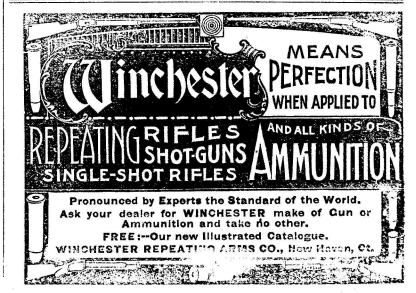
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ORANGEVILLE OUTINGS.

Nov. 28-Just four weeks to Xmas. Preparations are being made for a Xmas tree at the Baptist church.

Rev. Fred Berry of Plainwell spoke to a large and attentive audience Sunday evening, choosing for his subject John iii:16. 'Twas the same text that Harry Morehouse, the Irish lad, preached seven eloquent sermons from in "Moody's Tabernacle," Chicago.

There will be an all day meeting at the Baptist church Wednesday. Rev. Mr. Pixley of Prairieville will be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong went to Allegan the first of last week to visit their daughter, Mrs. A. Nogle. Mr. A. re-turned Thursday evening in time to at the town hall. The L. H. M. S. received much praise for the manner in which they entertained. Thanksgiving receipts, \$10.25.

On account of the meetings this week the regular monthly meeting of the L.

H. M. S. will be postponed. Eli Nichols and son, Carl ate Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Hoofmaster in Battle Creek.

Several of our young people attended the surprise on Miss Mary Garrett at Gun lake Thursday evening. She is attending school in Kalamazoo.

The chicken pie social at Dan Laraway's was a decided success.

Leighton Matteson commences school in your town Monday.

J. N. Pike returned from Grand Rapids Monday with a portion of his iron penstock.

Vilas Youngs and wife from near Woodland are visiting friends here.

Dan Hubbard from near your place was in town last week on business.

Ben Wing was in your town last week on business.

Old Mr. Slyter near Gun lake is very low.

Fred Cook of Kalamazoo spent Sunday at home.

Fred Armstrong has finished husking corn for Augustus Snook and is looking for work elsewhere.

J. M. Burpee and James Johnson are able to be about town again.

Mr. Matteson and son, Leighton, Wm. Johnson, Charlie Beattle and Miss Carrie Blake were in Plainwell last week.

LEIGHTON LOCALS.

Nov. 29-It's pretty cold for news this week, but we hear the wedding bells ringing in the distance and they're not

Geo. Wilson and family spent Thanksgiving with friends and rela-tives near Allegan.

The district board of school district No. 2 tore away the fence along the road and also made some other improvements on the grounds.

A. I. Winger is spending a few days with his parents in Salem.

Ernest Runnels of this place and Jessie Cisler of your village were united in marriage by Rev. W. A. Biss of Mid-dleville last Wednesday evening, Nov. 24. A long, happy and prosperous life to them is the wish of their many friends here.

Edwin Aubil and A. I. Winger intend to saw wood for A. L. McDowell and Mrs. J. B. Weber in the near future.

Wm. Steeby and lady friend spent Sunday near Duncan lake.

Ernest Davis is staying with Albert Barrell and attending school at the "brick."

Kate Brog of near Wayland entertained a gentleman friend from Cloverdale Sunday and attended church in Leighton.

David Steeby and Barnard Guinter are having the timber for their barns scored and hewn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Kachele of west Thornapple are the proud possessors of a little son born Nov. 23.

Born to Rev. A. Kachele and wife of New York, a daughter Nov. 22. Mr. K. formerly lived in west Thornapple and Mrs. K. will be remembered as Emma Thede of this place.

Wm. Bedford of the county line is buying turkeys this week.

Every one of our young people should attend the Epworth League every Tuesday evening and be benefitted by the good work, and work for the reward which is promised to the faithful. The same should be the aim of all attending the Y. P. A. Sunday evenings.

FROM THE COUNTY SEAT.

Judge Smith is suffering from a severe gathering in his head and will have to turn the business of his circuit over to some other judge until the trouble culminates and he recovers, which may be some little time. He adjourned court at Charlotte and came to his home in this city last week Monday.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS-WARRANTY DEEDS.

Robert Nevin and wife to G. H. Rob-		
inson and wife; par Nashville	81000	00
R. E. Combs and wife to D. Striker:		
par sec 17. Thornapple	960	5
Lydia D. Hoover to George Austin:		
par sec 23. Castleton	200	00
Dan'l Striker and wife to Jacob		
Schondelmayer; par sec 17, Thorn-		
apple	683	6
G. P. Coon and wife to R. A. Murdock;		
par sec 18. Orangeville Hannah Snyder to Wm. Nash; par sec	100	OC
Hannah Snyder to Wm. Nash; par sec		
21, Carlton	25	O
Jordan Campbell to J. E. Guiles: par		
sec 2, Hastings	700	U
QUIT CLAIMS.		
Mary Hartman to J. R. Carpenter;		
par sec 21. Carlton	1	00
Ebenezer Garrett and wife to Tuttle	-	-
E. Garrett; par sec 28, Thornapple	1300	00
Maggie Hamilton to Adam Smith; par		
sec 11. Hastings	337	0
Donath House at There December	W 25	00.0

Rosetta Harper to Henry Damouth; par sec 10, Thornapple. 1500 00 Henry Damouth and wife to Rosetta A. Harper; par sec 16, Thornapple. 1500 00 MARRIAGE LICENSES. Name and Residence.

NORTH ORANGEVILLE.

Robert McKibbin bought hogs of Jno. Carter last week.

Miss Pierce will commence school in district No. 1, Orangeville, next Monday. Remember, we get good teachers from Cloverdale and Shultz way.

Josh Cappon and Tom Coleman have been pulling turnips for Mr. Ford.

A dance at Harvey Count's in the near future.

Wm. Powers and friend, Mr. Gould, of the county seat are out on a hunting expedition.

George Tidd will work for Mr. W. Breck the coming winter.

Ernie Scribner and best lady called on the former's parents last Sunday.

Miss Cora Young is very sick with heart trouble.

Harvey Count sold three loads of rye at Hastings last Saturday.

Frozen wheeling is O. K. on the sand. David Townsend claims to have raised winter radish which weighs 14 lbs. Well done, David.

Ed O'Connor is breaking a heavy pair of colts.

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MIDDLEVILLE MARKETS.

Wheat (white)				88
Rye				40
Corn, per bu				30
Oats				20
Timothy:			1	75
Clover Seed			5	00
Flour (roller)			3	00
Bran per ton			10	00
Middlings			12	00
Butter (creamery)				22
Butter (dairy)				18
Eggs		16		18
Potatoes		35		40
Spring Chickens (live)				- 5
Spring Chickens (dressed)				61
Fowls (live)				4
Fowls (dressed)				6
Beef (dressed)		44		51
Veal		5		7
Veal calves (live)		37		41
Hogs (dressed)	3	70	4	00
Hogs (live)	2	70	3	00
Lard				6
Tallow				21
Hides		8		7
Pelts		15		30
Hay (timothy)	6	00	7	00
Hav(clover)	5	00	5	50
Wood (dry Beach & Maple)	1	25	1	50
Oil (retail)		10		13
Gasoline				10
Salt			1	00
Lime per bbl				80
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